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With Tyra the wheelhorse of the Louisville outfit, plus Bill Darragh and Jim Morgan, hold-over regulars, and a total of six letter winners and three promising sophs, we think we've made the right choice for the best in the nation.

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National Preview

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The usual complete pictorial coverage accompanies the expert and authoritative examination of the court scene. We hope you'll like our initial efforts and find them a proper reply to your requests for a good advance look at the 1956-'57 basketball campaign.

NATION'S TOP TEN

1. Louisville
2. Kansas
3. Dayton
4. North Carolina
5. Illinois
6. San Francisco
7. Western Kentucky
8. Temple
9. Southern Methodist
10. St. Louis

BIGGER and better than ever—that's the outlook as 6-foot-8 Charley Tyra heads for his peak year as a senior with the Louisville Cardinals, 7-foot Wilt Chamberlain makes his heralded bow as a college varsity player at Kansas and all over the country more and more large arenas try to keep pace with the ticket demands of enthusiastic cage addicts.

Tyra—our "Cover Boy"—appears ready to lead his Louisville teammates to the National championship. Last season he was the country's top rebounder with 645 and boasted a 23-point scoring average. The nationally sixth-ranked Cardinals' victory over third-ranked Dayton in the National Invitation final at Madison Square Garden in New York best illustrates Charley's value to his team. There he was pitted against the Flyers' great Bill Uhl. Charley topped his seven-foot foe in rebounds, 19 to 10, and outscored him, 27 to 19, as the Cards won the title with their third victory of the season over Dayton, 93 to 80.

Two other starters from the NIT championship outfit are back with Tyra—Bill Darragh, a 6-5 forward who also excels under the boards, and Jim Morgan, a 6-1 guard with a 14.4-per-game average. Replacements from a strong bench and some outstanding sophs give coach Peck Hickman a strong hand for a National diadem to crown his 13th season at Louisville.

Over westward at Kansas new coach Dick Harp, who took over from Phog Allen, fields a mighty threat for a sweep of Big Seven, NCAA and National honors. Seven-foot Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain, who scored 2,252 points at Philadelphia's Overbrook High and dominated last season's varsity-frosh game with 42 points and 29 rebounds, makes his much-publicized varsity debut. Another soph, Ronnie Loneski (6-4½), is a proven defensive ace with a sparkling left-handed jump shot. Add to this that all five starters are back from last season's team and you can well understand why hopes run high among Jayhawk supporters.

Tom Blackburn has another club of top-flight potential at Dayton. Graduation took three Flyers stars but eight lettermen are back and Blackburn's outfit figures to continue in the tradition that gave him a 75-15 mark for the past three years and trips to the NIT five times and the NCAA once in six years.

Two deep at every position, that's the enviable status of Frank McGuire at North Carolina. Led by Lennie Rosenbluth, a deadeye sharpshooter with a

limitless repertoire, the Tar Heels are primed to end Ev Case's N.C. State dominance of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

George BonSalle, third to Robin Freeman and Julius McCoy among Big Ten scorers last time out, takes over as key man on a veteran starting quintet for Illinois' bid to escape the runner-up spot occupied three of the last four campaigns. Reserve strength looms as coach Harry Combes' big problem.

The University of San Francisco Dons carry a 55-game winning streak into this campaign but the loss of the great Bill Russell and K.C. Jones is a severe handicap. However, four of coach Don Woolpert's top six remain and the Dons seem assured of retaining the California Basketball Association crown and remaining among the nation's top ten.

At Western Kentucky veteran coach Ed Diddle believes he has two of the best guards in the country in Owen Lawson and Eric Beck, a pair of six-foot juniors, and rates his team as possibly the best of his 35-year career. Temple, third place team in the NCAA, appears headed for another banner year in the East although reserves may pose a problem. Southern Methodist's speedy Mustangs are picked to become the first team in 26 years to win three Southwest crowns in a row. St. Louis has blazing speed and great reserve power for a successful run in the well-matched Missouri Valley Conference and a post-season tourney bid.

On the Pacific Coast Washington appeared set for the crown until the sins of football were visited on the heads of other athletes and the Huskies and UCLA were barred from post-season competition in ANY sports. Oregon State, picked to finish second, seems destined to carry the PCC banner in the NCAA far western regionals.

Dartmouth, with 10 lettermen and its starting lineup intact, is favored to keep the East's Ivy championship. Yale, sparked by a great pointmaker—Johnny Lee, is the main threat with Columbia a dark horse possibility. In the Western New York Little Three, Canisius, with three seniors, figures to turn back a strong bid by Taps Gallagher's Niagara quintet, headed by 6-5 Alex Ellis, one of the nation's top rebounders.

Amherst, which used a three-man backcourt press to limit foes to a 58 average and top the small college defensive statistics, is slated to hang onto Little Three honors. Syracuse has six lettermen back, including its top four scorers headed by Vin Cohen at 401, and is expected to employ its fastbreak for a top spot among the East's independents. In the Yankee Conference, Connecticut has the weapons for its ninth title in 10 years.

Vanderbilt, with three returnees and a talented band of sophs, figures to hold a slight edge in a wide open Southeastern Conference race. In the Southern Conference, it's West Virginia again, paced by the talented antics of the incomparable Hot Rod Hundley.

In the Rocky Mountain area Ev Shelton's Wyoming Cowpokes seem to have completed a rebuilding program and are ready to move back into the Skyline throne room. Key men are gone from defender Utah but a fine group of sophomores could upset predictions. Idaho State holds a thin margin over Montana State for Rocky Mountain Conference honors.

Loyola of New Orleans, with six veterans (four starters) and some fine sophs, faces a formidable schedule in a dark horse bid to break into the nation's cage elite. Oklahoma City's five veteran starters boast speed and height for their bid to return to NCAA playoff wars.

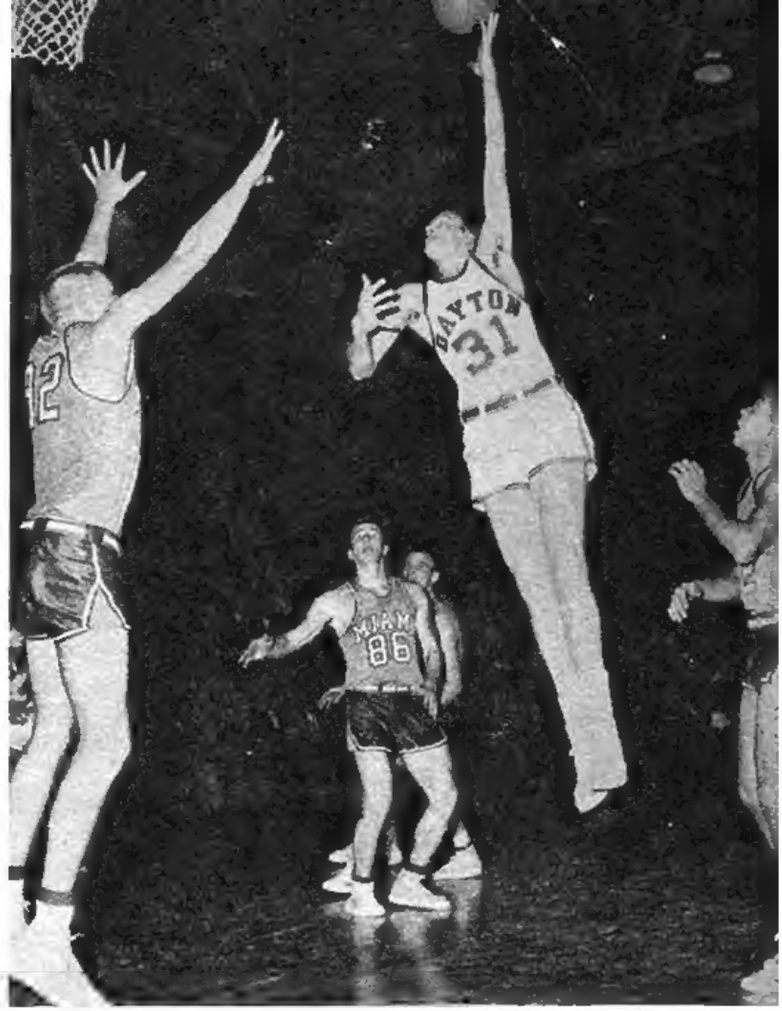
In the Midwest, long a cage citadel, Akron in the Ohio and Wayne in the Presidents conferences shape up as repeaters. It's Marshall again in the Mid-America and there's a real national sleeper over in the Indiana Conference where Butler goes to the post with four starters back from a team that hit .371 from the floor and .691 from the foul line.

In addition to Louisville's Tyra, West Virginia's Hundley, Kansas' Chamberlain, North Carolina's Rosenbluth, Illinois' BonSalle, Yale's Lee and Syracuse's Cohen the nation's collegiate basketball rosters are loaded with fine front line talent. Jim Palmer (6-8), Dayton, parlays a fine hook shot with superb skill under the boards. Dick Wright (5-11) steps into the Furman lineup in an effort to carry on in the high-scoring manner of Frank Selvy and last year's national leader, Darrel Floyd. Bruno Boin (6-8), Wash.; Dave Gambee (6-7), Ore. St.; Larry Beck (6-3), Wash. St.; and John Thomas (6-5), who sank 480 points for College of Pacific, head the Far West contingent. Ron Judson (6-4), Dartmouth captain; Dick Gaines, who averaged 20 points for Seton Hall; Hank Nowak (6-3), Canisius; and Jack Nichols, who holds the all-time Colgate scoring mark at 589, top the East list. Jim Krebs (6-8), SMU, boasts a great two-handed hook shot and Pearl Pollard (6-8) is key man at pivot for Utah.

In Dixie, Roger Sigler (6-3), LSU, topped SEC scoring with a 25.1 average; Bob Emrick (6-5), Florida, hit 17.8; Pete Gaudin of Loyola (N.O.) sank 130 of 157 foul attempts; and Jack Sullivan (6-4) goes into his senior year at Mount St. Mary's with 1,602 points. Bill Ebben (6-4), Detroit, tops in the Missouri Valley with 591; Barney Cable (6-7), Bradley; and Archie Dees (6-8), Indiana, round out the Midwest picture.

In addition to Western Kentucky's pair of Lawson and Beck, there's a fine crop of backcourt performers. Columbia's Chet (The Jet) Forte (5-9) is a great playmaker and scorer who won All-Ivy and All-Met. honors as a soph. Guy Rodgers (5-11) is Temple's mainstay. In the SEC, Vernon Hatton (6-3), Kentucky, last year's soph of the year, and Vanderbilt's Al Rochelle (6-1), winner of that honor the previous year, head the guard contingent. Dan Flora (6-2), W&L, was 26 off the national standard when he garnered 1,160 points in his freshman and sophomore terms. Maurice King (6-2), Kansas; Gary Thompson (5-10), Iowa St.; Dick Mast (6-1), Northwestern playmaker; Frank Nimmo (6-2), Cincinnati; and Jimmy Boothe (5-7), Xavier captain who was named to the NIT All-Tourney team, are among the Midwest's outstanding performers.

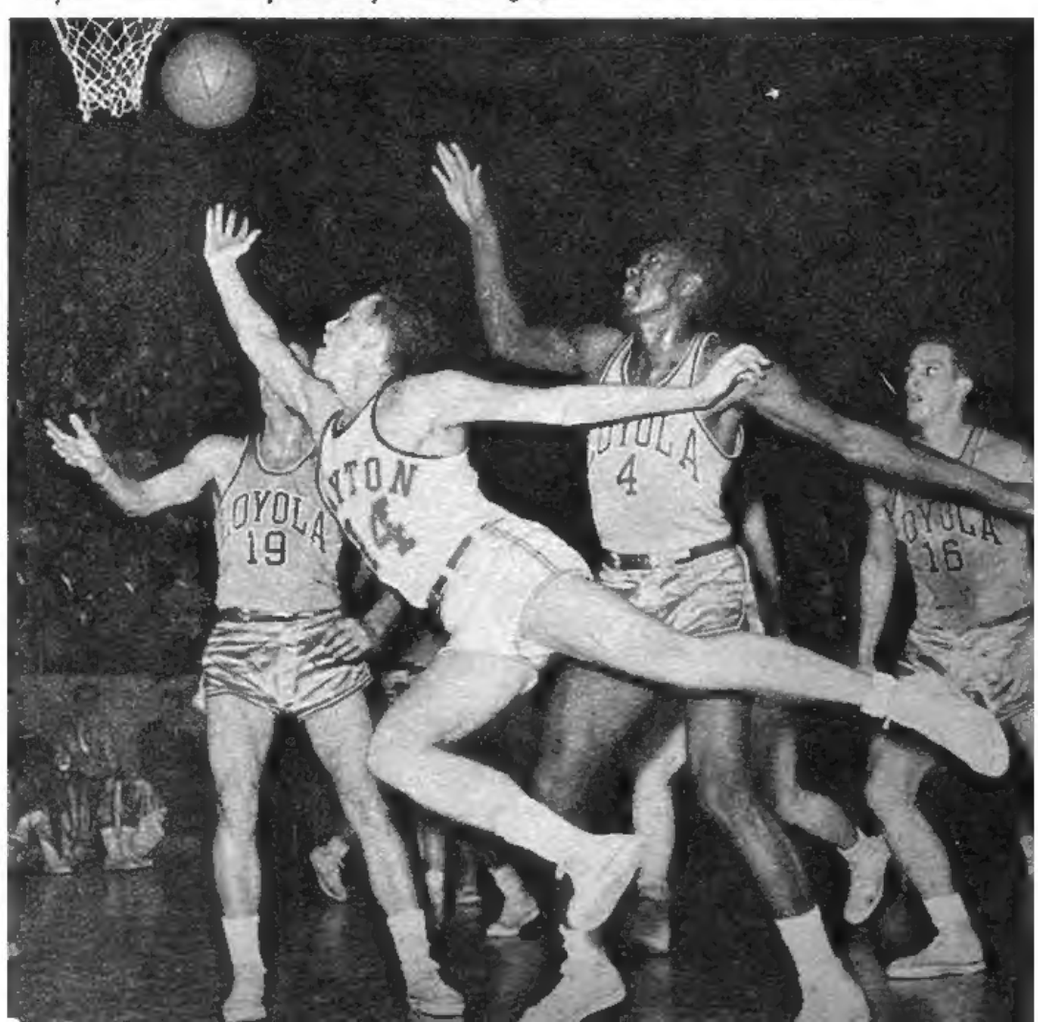
BUCKY BOCKHORN, 6-4 Dayton guard, drives in for 2-pointer against Cincinnati. Bucky scored 11 points.



JIMMY PALMER, 6-8 forward, shows Miami scoring skill that makes him key figure in Dayton plans.

GEORGE BONSALLE, Illinois All-America bidder, is deadly rebounder and a crack marksman.

DON LANE, nicknamed Night Train, lives up to title speeding past Loyola team for Dayton tally. Six-foot guard is also fine outside shot.



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PREDICTIONS

Big Ten	Independents
1. Illinois	1. Dayton
2. Indiana	2. Xavier (Ohio)
3. Michigan State	3. Pittsburgh
4. Purdue	4. DePaul
5. Ohio State	5. Notre Dame
6. Northwestern	6. Marquette
7. Iowa	7. Beloit
8. Michigan	8. Cincinnati
9. Minnesota	9. Loyola (Chicago)
10. Wisconsin	10. Central Michigan
	11. Baldwin-Wallace
	12. Youngstown
	13. Northern Illinois

Mid-America	Indiana Conference
1. Marshall	1. Butler
2. Miami (Ohio)	2. Evansville
3. Bowling Green	3. Valparaiso
4. Toledo	4. DePauw
5. Western Michigan	5. St. Joseph's
6. Ohio University	6. Ball State

Ohio Conference

1. Akron	6. Ohio Wesleyan
2. Mount Union	7. Wooster
3. Denison	8. Marietta
4. Heidelberg	9. Wittenberg
5. Muskingum	10. Capital

Presidents'—Wayne, West'n Reserve, John Carroll

TWO perennial basketball powers—Illinois and Dayton—are the Mid-West's outstanding hopes for national championship honors this season.

A year ago, the section had a representative in the finals of the two blue ribbon post-season classics, the National Collegiate Athletic Association event and the National Invitational Tournament at New York's Madison Square Garden. Both came away empty-handed, however, with Iowa bowing to San Francisco in the NCAA and Dayton losing to Louisville in the NIT.

Illinois is the choice to win the championship in the rugged Big Ten with Indiana likely to furnish the most trouble. The Illini have been occupying the "bridesmaid" role three times in the last four seasons, but now Coach Harry Combes' outfit appears ready to break through.

Dayton, for the past decade a top power among the nation's independents, again has a star outfit.

While the Basketball Rules Committee annually weighs the possibilities of code changes that will curb the game's "skyscrapers," coaches go right ahead assembling the big boys and building their fortunes around them. The six-foot-six player has become commonplace.

The Mid-West will present a formidable array of candidates for All-America honors. The "best bets" for stardom are George BonSalle of Illinois; Archie Dees of Indiana; Glen Lose of Northwestern; Jed Dommeyer of Minnesota; Jim Palmer of Dayton; Frank Nimmo of Cincinnati; Frank Tartaron of Xavier and Lamar Lundy of Purdue.

Other top-flight performers include Max Gozenbach and Jack Quiggle of Michigan State; Dick Mast of Northwestern; Tom Payne of Iowa; Harv Schmidt of Illinois; Cebe Price of Marshall; George Lee and Ron Kramer of Michigan; Al Sicking of Dayton; Ted Guzek of Butler; Rex Leach of Bowling Green; Don Talbert of Mount Union; John Riser and Bob Lazor of Pittsburgh; Lou Mitchell of Denison and George Brown of Wayne.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

ILLINOIS—The most consistent power in the Big Ten for the past decade has been the University of Illinois. Over that stretch, the Illini have won three cage championships, finished second four times and never have been lower than fourth.

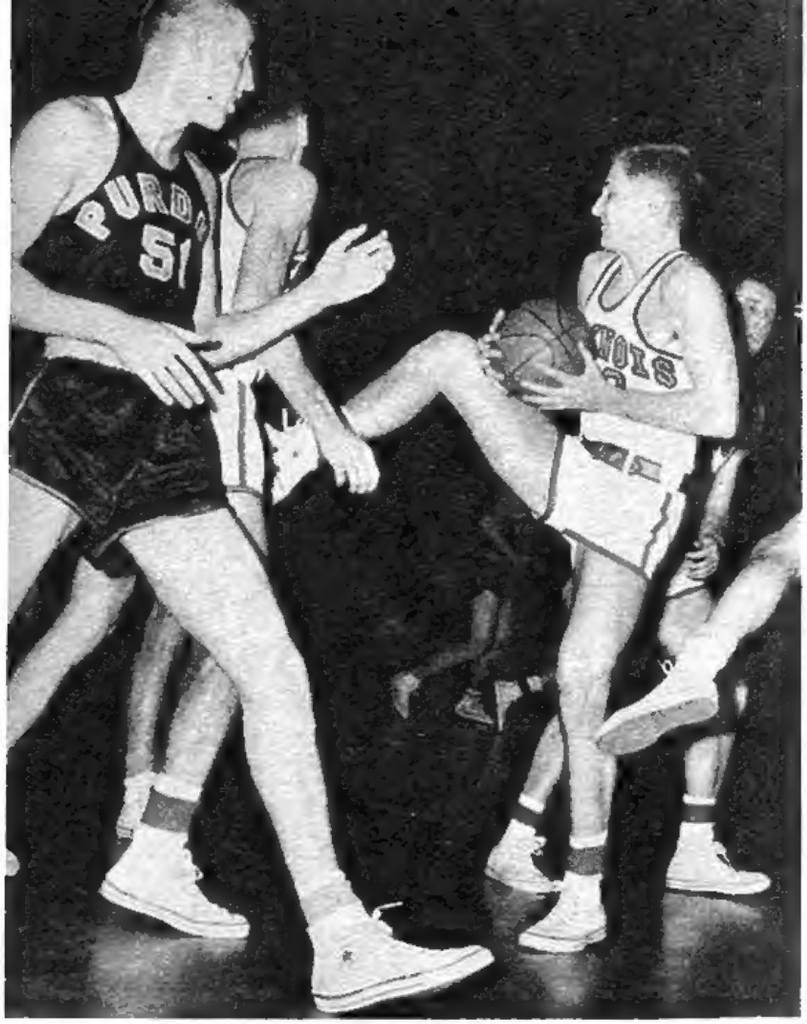
The runner-up role is becoming a bit discouraging for Coach Harry Combes. He's been in the spot three times in the last four years. The second place finish last season was a heart-breaker as the team led most of the way, but was nipped at the wire by Iowa.

Illinois had a fine overall record of 18 triumphs as compared with four losses. In the Conference it was 11-3.

Illinois will have five lettermen returning. With experience and good size, the first team should be a powerful unit again but Combes lacks the depth of bench strength he had last season.

The team will be built around George BonSalle (6-8), the team's leading scorer a year ago who will be at center. BonSalle hit with 430 points for a 19.5 average, finishing third in the Big Ten behind Robin Freeman of Ohio State and Julius McCoy of Michigan State. He scored 321 against league foes and his conference average was 22.9.

BonSalle has an excellent hook shot with either hand and a deadly jump shot. He is a top rebounder



BILL ALTENBERGER, bidding for Illini comeback, does some fancy rebound footwork against Purdue.

HARV SCHMIDT, Illinois captain, accounted for 295 points, mainly via excellent one-handed jump shot.

and a fine defensive man. He's Illinois' outstanding candidate for All-America honors.

To support him at center will be Ted Caiazza (6-7), a junior who suffered a cartilage injury to his right knee before the Big Ten opener and was out of action the rest of the season. He underwent an operation and appears physically sound.

The starting forwards will be captain Harv Schmidt (6-6) and Bill Altenberger (6-1). Schmidt became a top-flight performer last season and scored 295 points, for a 13.4 average. He has a fine one-handed jump shot and is a good rebounder. Altenberger was a regular as a sophomore but early last year suffered an attack of glandular fever and never regained his previous form. He is small, but a fine shot from corner court. If he can bounce back to his performance of two years ago he will provide strength at the position.

In supporting roles at forward will be Hiles Stout (6-4) and Jim Chengary (6-3). Stout is a quarterback in football and consequently gets a slow start each season. He is a good man playing the boards. Chengary saw brief action in only nine games.

Letterman Don Ohl (6-3) and sophomore Roger Taylor (6-0) will get the call at guards. Ohl won a starting assignment last season as a sophomore. He scored 147 points and is effective with a set shot from the outside. His defensive work improved steadily throughout the campaign. Taylor is a good feeder, play-maker and a fine shot from the floor.

Back of this pair come holdover John Paul (6-1) and sophomore Tom Haller (6-3). Paul is a transfer from Marquette. Haller is a steady performer who could help, but like Stout, he will be late reporting because of football.

INDIANA—The veteran Branch McCracken is depending on solid experience, size and speed to make Indiana a definite factor in the Big Ten race.

After winning two straight Conference titles in 1953 and 1954, the Hoosiers dropped into the second division. Now the team appears ready to make another determined bid.

McCracken will have back eight lettermen from a team which finished in a tie for sixth with a 6-8 record in the Conference. The Hoosiers had an overall record of 13-9.

Five of the 10 cagers who figure to see the bulk of service are six-foot-four or taller. The squad will have the speed McCracken demands of all his quintets and the experience gained a year ago will be invaluable.

The Hoosiers lost only one key man by graduation. That was the veteran Wally Choice, the team's top scorer. Choice finished fifth in Big Ten point-making.

The quintet will be built around Archie Dees (6-8) at center. Dees has a deadly jump shot from the right and is a great performer under the basket. He was second among the scorers a year ago with 383 points, for a 17.4 per game average. Sophomore Dick Custer (6-6) will be his understudy.

The starting call at forwards will go to letter-

man Jerry Thompson (6-4) and sophomore Jim Hinds (6-5). Thompson had a fine .455 shooting average last season in his limited playing time. He scored 188 points. Hinds impressed with his fine all-around play.

Dees, Thompson and Hinds give the Hoosiers a front-line trio that should be able to control the boards against most opponents.

To back up Thompson and Hinds at forwards will be lettermen Dick Neal (6-5)and Ray Ball (6-3).

The starting guards will be lettermen Hallie Bryant (6-2) and Charlie Hodson (5-9). Bryant scored 302 points last season and is a fine shot from outside. Hodson scored 108 points during his limited playing time.

Supporting them will be another pair of veterans, Pete Obremskey (6-3) and Sammy Gee (6-1). Obremskey scored 112 points. Gee broke into only two games.

ARCHIE DEES, 6-8 pivot, is cornerstone of Hoosier team, with 17.4 average.

JERRY THOMPSON, with .455 shooting average, is vet forward for Indiana.

MICHIGAN STATE—Individual brilliance, but little depth or balance. That was the failing a year ago but the Spartans managed to finish fifth in the Big Ten with a split in 14 league games and had an overall record of 13-9.

The Spartans posted that record mainly on the superlative play of lanky Julius McCoy. McCoy finished as runner-up in the Big Ten scoring race to Ohio State's Robin Freeman with 382 points, for an average of 27.3 points per game. Against all opponents he scored 600 points.

The spread between McCoy and the Spartans' next scorer was a wide one. Duane Peterson was the runner-up with 216.

Now, McCoy along with Peterson and Walt Godfrey, another starter, are gone. Coach Forddy Anderson has seven lettermen returning, but whether there is anyone who can pick up the slack caused by McCoy's departure is the question.

It is possible, however, that with the one top-flight star gone the Spartans will gain balance. The squad has only three big men (over the six-foot-three mark) and against some opponents may find extreme difficulty in controlling the boards.

Anderson will start lettermen Larry Hedden (6-5) and George Ferguson (6-3) at forwards. Hedden scored 172 points last season. He boasts fine speed and is a good shot from outside. Ferguson had 165 points and is a good rebound man and strong defensively.

To back up this pair will be sophomores Bob Anderegg (6-3) and Tom Markovich (6-3). Anderegg is a fine outside shot, while Markovich is a good floorman and a consistent shot.

The call at center will go to the veteran Chuck Vencie (6-6), who saw only limited action last season. Pushing him for the job will be Max Gonzenbach (6-8), who was sidelined a good portion of last season with an ankle injury. He's rugged under the basket and possesses a good hook shot.

The guards will be lettermen Jack Quiggle (6-3) and Pat Wilson (6-0). Quiggle is a fine playmaker and good defensive performer. He is the most polished all-around performer on the squad. Has a good variety of shots and scored 161 points last season. Wilson reports late because of football and with his experience is a steadying influence on the quintet. He is outstanding on defense.

Reserve strength at guard will be sophomore Tom Rand (6-2), a brother of Terry who starred last year at Marquette, and letterman Harry Lux (5-10). Rand is a good set shot. Lux is a fine dribbler and fair shot.

While the Spartans look strong in spots, there doesn t appear to be sufficient depth to make them a title contender.

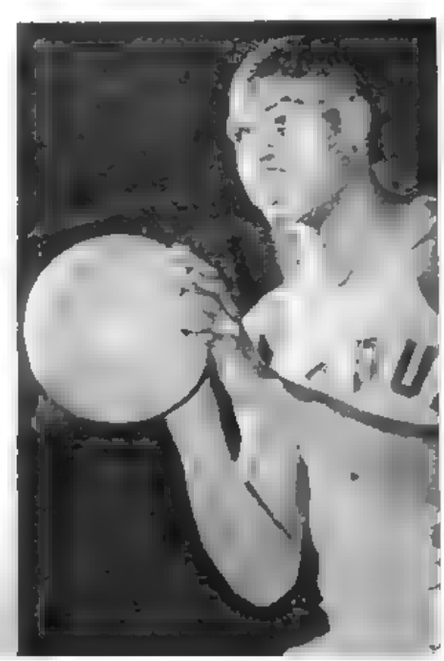
PURDUE—After finishing in the second division six straight years, four of which they were last, Purdue made a remarkable comeback last season. The Boilermakers finished in a tie for third with nine victories and five defeats in league play.

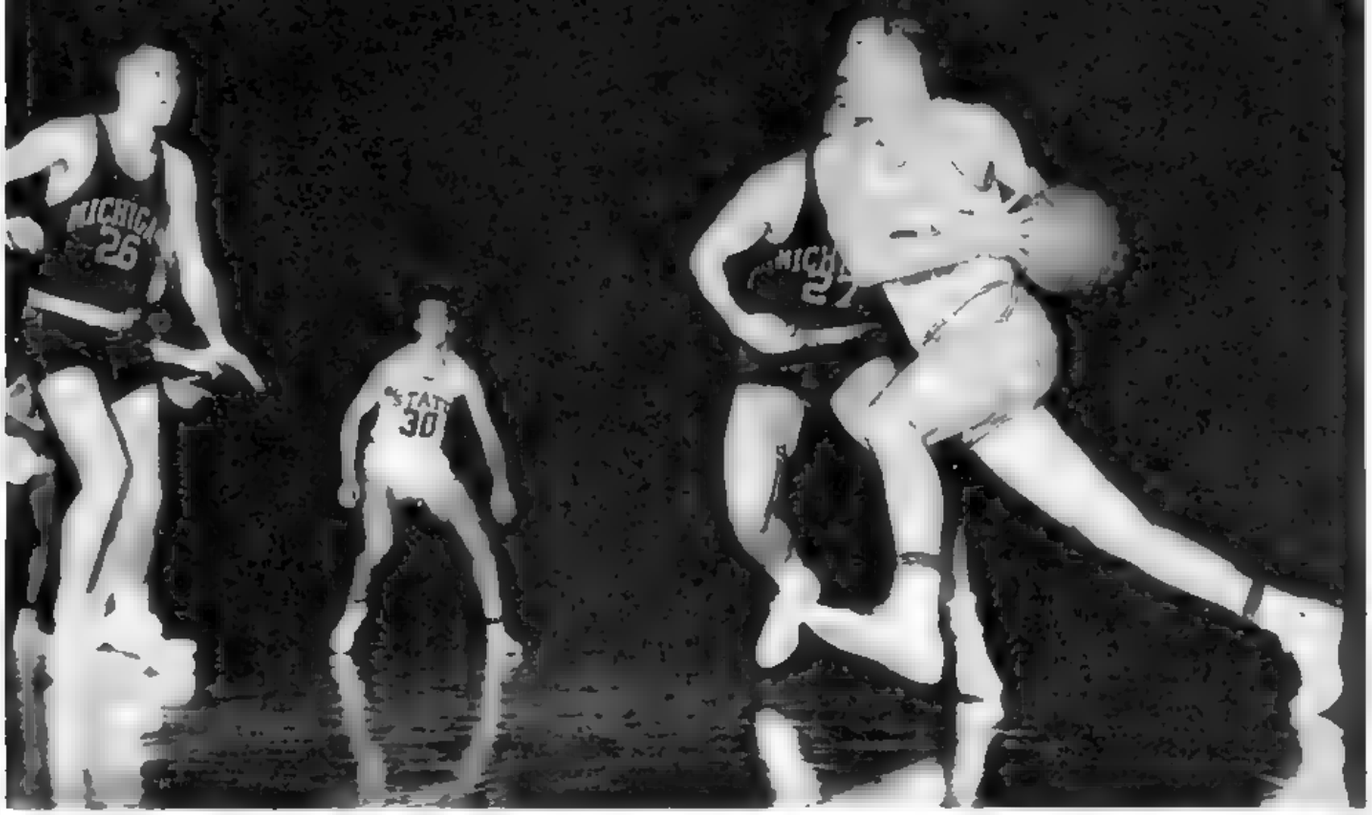
Purdue had an overall record of 16 triumphs as against six losses; its best since 1940.

Purdue lost five lettermen including its top scorer and most valuable player, Joe Sexson, and a pair of top flight guards in Dan Thornburg and Maurice Lorenz.

LAMAR LUNDY, 6-foot-8 Purdue center, is fine defender and accurate shot.

JOE CAMPBELL, only 5-7, handles guard job capably for Boilermaker quintet.





JACK QUIGGLE, Michigan State guard, drives down court as Michigan's Pete Tillotson (26) gets set.

LARRY HEDDEN, Spartan forward goes high to grab rebound from reach of George Kline (13), Gopher center, in Big Ten game won by Minnesota, 80 to 69.

Coach Ray Eddy however has three lettermen back and will have a team of exceptional size. Seven of the first 10 performers measure six-feet-four or better. The Boilermakers will be able to control the boards a fair share of the time.

The key to Purdue's hopes is center Lamar Lundy (6-8). Lundy was third among Boilermaker scorers a year ago with 285 points. He had a fine shooting average of .470 from the floor and ranked among the conference's best defensive players. Lundy has the handicap, however, of making the changeover from football to basketball.

To support Lundy will be Nick Mumley (6-6), who also is an end in football. Mumley has tremendous potential, but needs experience.

The starting forwards will be Wilson Eison (6-6) and Frank Cummings (6-8). Eison is the big hope of the Boilermakers. He possesses every shot in the book and is a fine rebounder. In his senior year in high school he was regarded as the finest performer in Indiana's "hot bed" of basketball. Cummings saw limited service last year and is a rugged man on the boards.

Backing them up will be Bill Greve (6-5) and Willie Merriweather (6-4). Greve is a fine shot, while Merriweather is a good rebounder and should develop into a steady scorer.

The starting call at guards will go to letterman Joe Campbell (5-7), who in addition to his cage play, excels on the links and was the 1955 National golf champion, and newcomer Bob Fehrman (6-6). Campbell is the fireball of the quintet. Although not a high scorer (he dropped in 161 points last year) he's deadly from around the foul circle and outstanding defensively. Fehrman was the top rebounder on last year's freshman squad.

In reserve will be Charley Kerht (6-0) and Ed McCormick (6-3). Kehrt is the best outside shot on the squad and a steady defensive man. McCormick saw limited duty a year ago.

OHIO STATE—Floyd Stahl, the diminutive Ohio State coach, has one stock question he asks: "How are you going to replace a player like Robin Freeman?"

Freeman was the fantastic Buckeye shotmaker who was kingpin of the Ohio State team for three seasons. Freeman scored 723 points last season for an average of 32.9 points per game. He was the Big Ten pace-setter with 455 points in 14 league games for a 32.5 average. He had a brilliant .454 shooting average from the field and an .821 mark on free throws.

Freeman scored 40 or more points against four conference oponents and had the season's high of 46 against Michigan State.

It is no wonder then that Stahl asks "How are you going to replace a player like Freeman?"

There's no immediate answer for a team that finished in a tie for third and posted an overall record of 16 victories as against six losses. Stahl will have only two starters. Also lost by graduation were first stringers Don Kelley, who finished third in scoring, and Charley Ellis.

The two holdover starters are Frank Howard (6-5) and Jim Laughlin (6-3) who will be starting forwards. Howard is a fine shot from outside and a good rebounder. He was second to Freeman in scoring with 333 points. Laughlin is a steady performer and has a good hook shot. He dropped in 228 points a year ago.

FRANK HOWARD, 2nd to Robin Freeman in Buckeye scoring, is one of the vet forwards at Ohio State.

Behind this pair come Ken Sidle (6-5) if he can surmount a classroom hurdle; Roger Dressler (6-3), who are a pair of holdovers from last season, and Dick Hagedorn (6-2) and Ron Nischwitz (6-3), up from the freshmen.

The center spot likely will go to Larry Huston (6-6), the brightest performer moving up from the freshman squad. Pushing him will be Bob Mosier (6-8), who saw limited action last season, and sophomore Dave Poppler (6-7).

Getting the nod at guards will be captain Gene Millard (5-9), who has been a substitute for two seasons and never started a game, and Norm Martin (6-2) up from the reserves.

Ron Simmons (6-3) and Vern Barkstall (5-9), holdovers who saw little action, and sophomores Jim Niehaus (5-11) and Jim Ferrell (6-0) are other possibilities.

After 37 seasons of playing its home games off the campus at the State Fairgrounds Coliseum, Ohio State this season moves into the new St. John Arena. The Arena, named after the Buckeyes' long-time athletic director, will have a seating capacity of 13,392.

NORTHWESTERN—There's only one way for Northwestern to go in the Big Ten standing. That's *UP* and all signs point to Coach Waldo Fisher's outfit making quite an advance.

The Wildcats experienced one of the most dismal seasons in Western Conference history a year ago when they won only two games while losing 20. They finished in the league cellar with only one triumph as against 13 losses. The record was the worst for a Northwestern quintet since 1924 when they lost all 16 games on their schedule.

There are 11 lettermen returning plus the graduates of the best freshman squad Northwestern has had since 1950. The squad has a good backlog of experience—gained the hard way—plus depth and size.

The five starters of last season are back, but it is indicative of the added strength of the Wildcats that only two of them will be on the first unit. The 1956 starters who will get the call again are Glen

BOB MOSIER, 6-8 Buckeye, is making strong bid for starting role at center.

JIM LAUGHLIN boasts good hook shot as Ohio State starting forward.

Lose (6-2) at forward and Dick Mast (6-1) at a guard spot.

Lose was the most improved player on the Wildcat squad last season. He possesses better-than-average speed, has a fine jump shot and is a good rebounder. He was second in scoring with 341 points.

Mast was the team's top pointmaker with 464 points. He is a fine shot from outside, an excellent dribbler and play-maker. Mast was the "Most Valuable" player last season and rates among the best defensive players in the conference.

Paired with Lose at forward will be sophomore Nick Mantis. He showed excellent all-around skill as a freshman and possesses great speed. Mantis is a fine dribbler, passer and rebounder.

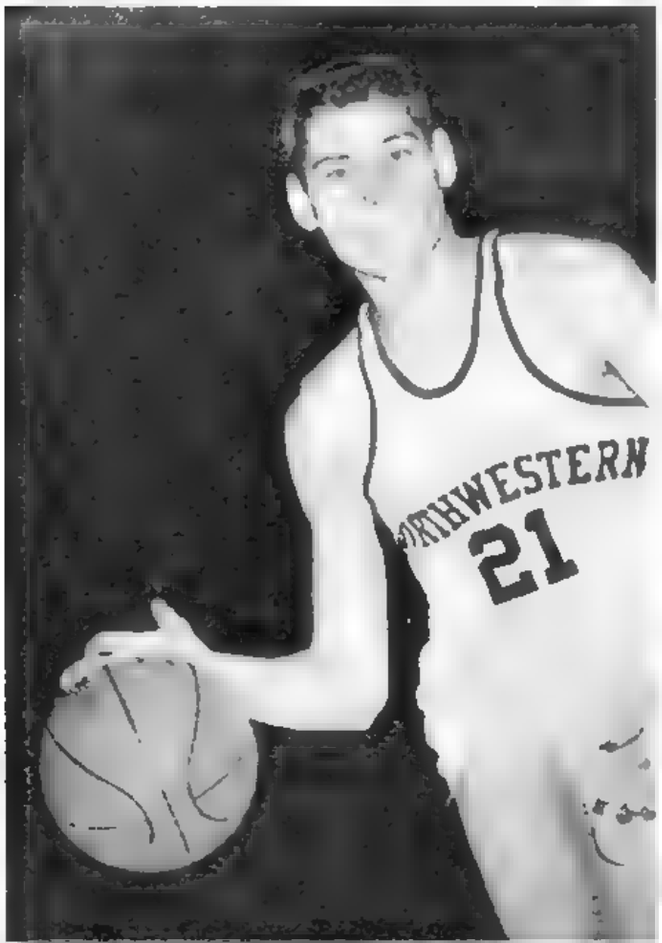
Back of this pair come Fred Duhart (6-5), who was a starter last season, and letterman Walt Doren (6-1).

Teaming with Mast at guard will be sophomore Dick Johnson (6-0). He's a good shot from any spot. Backing them up will be Jay Hook (6-1), a starter a year ago, and letterman Chuck Thomas (5-11).

The call at center will go to sophomore Joe Ruklick (6-9), who had a great high school record and was voted the outstanding player in the annual North-South All-Star game two seasons ago. He makes good use of his size to excel on hook shots and rebounds. Ruklick may be the Conference's finest sophomore.

Supporting him will be Bill Schulz (6-9), a first stringer last season. He was off to a slow start, but developed well. Schulz was the Wildcats' top rebounder with 208.

GLEN LOSE, who tallied 341 for Northwestern, is standout with good jump shot and skill under boards.



IOWA—Only twice in the 50-year basketball history of the Big Ten has a team been able to win three straight championships. Chicago did it in 1908-09-10 and Wisconsin duplicated the feat in 1912-13-14.

But for the last 40 years, when competition has become stiffer and the league balance much better, no team has been able to gain a triple. The University of Iowa will try this season, but the outlook isn't bright.

Coach Bucky O'Connor posted an amazing Conference record the last three seasons. His team had an overall record of 54 victories as against 16 losses and in league play they won 35 while losing only seven.

Iowa took the title last year with a fine 13-1 record, with the lone conference loss to Michigan State by a point, 65 to 64. That setback came in the league opener and then the Hawkeyes were unstoppable. In addition to its Big Ten crown, Iowa went to the finals of the NCAA championship where it bowed to mighty San Francisco, 83 to 71.

The performers who carried the load for Iowa over the past three seasons are gone. Coach O'Connor lost his entire starting five of Carl Cain, Bill Schoof, Bill Logan, Bill Seaberg and Milt Scheuerman, plus two top reserves in Bob George and Les Hawthorne. Only three lettermen are back and O'Connor faces an extremely difficult rebuilding job.

With players of the caliber of the Iowa regulars, the reserves didn't gain too much experience. For example, the three returning lettermen scored only 121 points.

O'Connor will open at the forwards with lettermen Tom Payne (6-6), who scored only 54 points while seeing brief action in 18 games, and Frank Sebolt (6-3), who accounted for only 18 points.

They will get help from sophomores Peer Hegg

BILL SCHULZ, Wildcat 6-9 center, was team's top rebounder, grabbing 208.

DICK MAST, 6-1 guard, was Northwestern's ace scorer with 464 points.

(6-6) and Dave Gunther (6-4), along with Norman Paul, Gregg Schroeder and Carter Crookham up from the reserves.

The call at center will go to a sophomore, either Americus John-Lewis (6-7½) or Dick Harring (6-5), with Gene Pitts, up from the reserves, also in contention.

The first string guards will be letterman Augie Martel (5-10) and either George Seaberg (6-3), a brother of the brilliant Bill of last season's team, or sophomore Joe Williams. In reserve will be Les Hawthorne and Jim McConnell, up from the re-

Iowa doesn't have the experience or the depth to be a serious factor in the race this season. There's too much dependence on untried sophomores.

MICHIGAN—The "step child" of an otherwise fine intercollegiate athletic program at the University of Michigan is basketball. The Wolverines have teams in competition in 12 sports and the 1955-56 school year is rather typical. Michigan finished fourth or better in the Western Conference in every sport except basketball. It was in a dreary eighth place tie in the cage standing.

That's about par. Only once in the last 25 years has Michigan won a Big Ten basketball championship (1948).

Coach Bill Perigo, whose team had an over-all mark of 9-13 but was only 4-10 in league play, will have back an experienced outfit. Eight lettermen are returning and there will be fine size on the squad. Michigan should improve, but the Wolverines have a long way to go.

Top man in the Michigan lineup again will be Ron Kramer (6-3), the 220-pound center and jack-of-all sports. Kramer is the Wolverine captain and for the past two years has topped the team in scoring. Last season he dropped in 448 points, for a 20.3 per game average. He broke his own Michigan individual game record with a 34 point splurge against Northwestern. Kramer, of course, comes to basketball after a long, gruelling football season.

A sophomore, who posted a brilliant high school record, will be behind Kramer. He is M. C. Burton (6-5). A fine shot, Burton ranks among the best rebounders at Michigan in many seasons.

The starting forwards will be letterman Pete Tillotson (6-6) and sophomore George Lee (6-3). Tillotson ranked third in team scoring last year with 198 points. He showed rapid development and with the year's experience should be much improved. He was second to Kramer in rebounds.

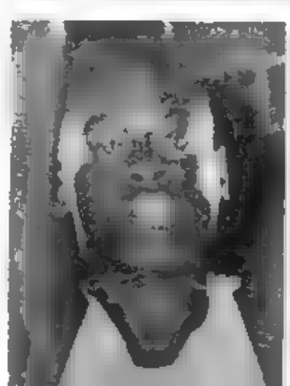
Lee may be the performer who gives the Wolverines the spark and drive they need to surprise a few opponents. He possesses excellent speed, is a great outside shot and a fine man playing the boards.

Randy Tarrier (6-5) and Gene Honeyman (6-0) will provide reserve strength at forward. Tarrier scored 181 points and showed flashes of great ability, but was inconsistent. Honeyman, a junior, lacks experience.

The nod at guard berths will go to Jim Shearon

RON KRAMER, captain of Wolverines, holds individual game score mark.

PETE TILLOTSON, 6-6 Michigan forward, is being counted on to star.



AUGIE MARTEL, vet 5-10 guard, is one of few holdovers on Iowa cage squad.

TOM PAYNE steps into starting forward role as Iowa defends in Big 10.

(5-11) and Jack Lewis (6-3). Shearon is a senior who saw considerable action last season and scored 140 points. He's a good close-in shot and fine dribbler. Lewis is a sophomore who figures to give the Wolverines strong defensive play.

Back of this pair will be lettermen Billy Wright (5-11) and Bob Sullivan (6-0). Wright was one of the major disappointments of last season and never lived up to expectations. He's a fine shot from the floor and with a year's experience may hit his stride. Sullivan is a chunky, 190-pounder who was slow in rounding into shape last season. He is a good play-maker.

MINNESOTA—For the first time since away back in 1926, a team coached by shrewd Ozzie Cowles failed to win more games than it lost. Minnesota's 11-11 record was the poorest of a Cowles combination since his Carleton (Minn.) College team of a quarter-of-a-century ago broke even on a 14 game schedule. The Gophers (6 and 8) finished in a tie for sixth with Indiana in the Big Ten.

Lack of scoring balance and a porous defensive combined for the mediocre Minnesota record. The Gophers had only two players (Jed Dommeyer and David Tucker) among the top 25 scorers in the Big Ten. Dommeyer tied for sixth in the individual scoring race and Tucker was well down in 14th place.

Minnesota permitted its combined conference opponents 1,129 points, an average of slightly over 80 points per contest.

Graduation took only three members of 17-man varsity squad. In addition to the returning veterans, Cowles has five youngsters coming up from the freshmen who may provide "spot" help.

Dommeyer (6-3), who led the Gopher scorers with 418 points, for a 19 point per game average, will be at center. Giving him support will be Myron Finned (6-4) and Jim Gruye (6-3) up from the reserves or sophomore Warren Jeppesen.

Tucker (6-4 and a burly 215-pounder) will be at one forward with letterman George Kline (6-3) at the other. Kline ranked third in scoring last season with 257 points. Back of them will be a pair of sophomores, Bob Anderstrom and Jerry Olson.

The starting call at guards will go to lettermen Gerald Lindsley (6-0) and George Hanson (6-0), with the other holdovers Maurice DeMarais (5-10), Wayne Fix (6-1) and Jim Stoltman (6-0) in reserve. The best of the sophomore prospects at the position are Larry Salmela and Roger (Whitey) Johnson.

The Gophers do not have the size or all-around talent to be a title factor. Cowles will have to be content to rebuild.

WISCONSIN—Since it won a Big Ten championship in 1947, Wisconsin's cage fortunes have declined. The Badgers finished in a tie for eighth a year ago. Coach Bud Foster's combination won only four conference games while losing 10. It had an overall record of six wins as compared with 16 defeats.

Foster isn't too optimistic. "It will be a great coaching accomplishment if we improve on last year's records," he quips.

Only two lettermen are returning in forwards Bob Litzow (6-2) and Glenn Borland (6-1). However, talent up from the reserve and freshman squads, plus some cagers who were withheld from competition last season to preserve a full season of eligibility provides excellent height and some depth.

Foster will go with Litzow, who scored 259 points, and Borland, who dropped in only 43 while seeing limited action, at forwards. In support of them will be Harrison (Sandy) Smith (6-3) and Jim Rog-

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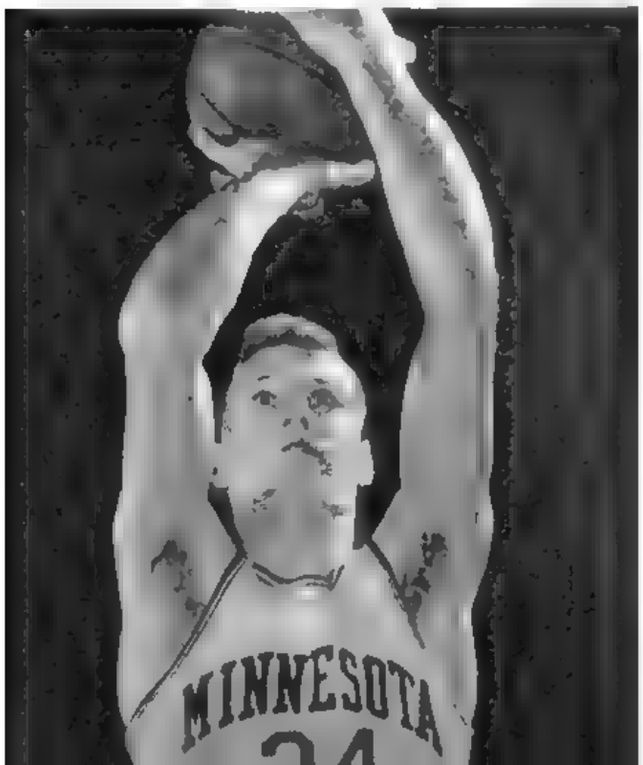


DAVID TUCKER, 6-4 forward, is counted on to step up point production for Minnesota this time around.

GLENN BORLAND, 6-1 forward, is one of pair of lettermen at Wisconsin.

BOB LITZOW, Badger forward, is other of two lettermen on squad.

neby (6-1), both of whom were on the squad but did not play last season. Smith is a fine rebounder and with a little experience may break into the starting lineup

There is a three-way fight on for the center job involving two performers up from the reserve squad and a sophomore. The holdovers are Dave Telfer (6-7) and Ray Gross (6-6), with Brian Kulas (6-6) the sophomore contender.

The guard jobs will go to Walter Holt (6-0) and Dave Leichtfuss (6-1), a pair of juniors. Holt was in seven games and Leichtfuss in six. Combined they accounted for only 22 points.

A pair of sophomores, Joel Farber (6-2) and Jim Schneiders (6-0) may push them for first string jobs before the season progresses far.

INDEPENDENTS

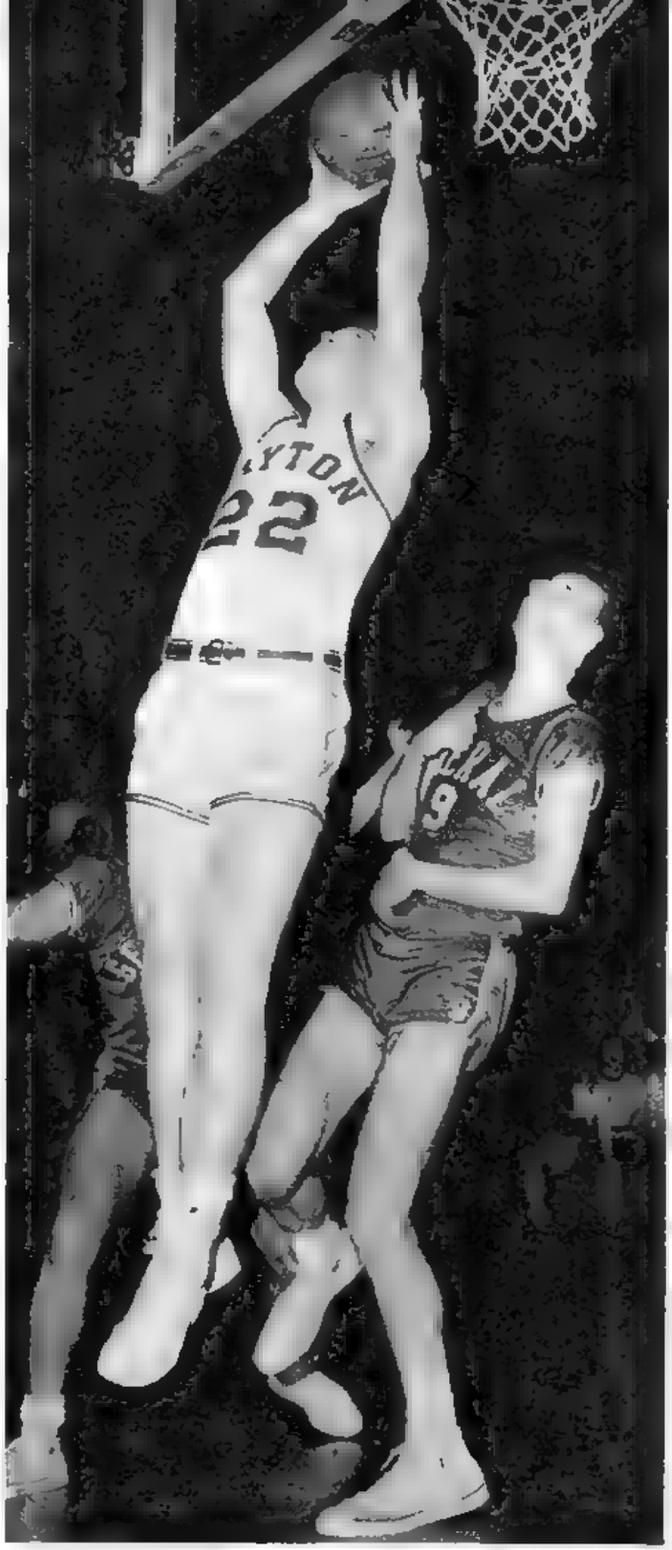
DAYTON—For the past decade, one of the real powers of college basketball has been the University of Dayton. Starting from rock bottom, coach Tom Blackburn has built the Flyers into a perennial threat for national honors. His record for nine seasons is 198 victories as against 74 defeats. In the last three years the Flyers have won 75 while losing but 15. In the past six years, Dayton has been to the National Invitational Tournament at Madison Square Garden five times and to the NCAA tournament once.

The Flyers last season posted a brilliant mark of 25-4. Three of the defeats were at the hands of the University of Louisville, 66 to 64 in overtime; 59 to 56 and 93 to 80. The latter defeat was in the finals of the NIT. The other regular season loss was to Duquesne, 87 to 86.

Dayton gets a rugged early season test as it will defend its championship in the Kentucky Invitational at Lexington against Kentucky, Illinois and Southern Methodist.

Graduation took All-America ace Billy Uhl, the seven-foot center; captain Jimmy Paxson, six-foot-six forward, and guard Ray Dieringer. Blackburn will have back eight lettermen.

Counted upon to become the key performer is forward Jim Palmer (6-8), who developed rapidly



AL SICKING, 6-6 225-pounder, is rugged man under boards for Dayton's bid for No. 1 cage spot in nation.

last season. Rival coaches rate him the greatest jumper in collegiate circles. He's superlative on the boards and has a fine hook shot. Palmer's big handicap has been erraticness. He'll go great for a stretch and then sag badly. For example, in the NIT finals he hit on nine out of 10 field goal attempts in the first half against Louisville and had an aggregate of 21 points. Then he didn't score at all in the final half.

Paired with him at forward will be Jack McCarthy (6-6), who has amazing endurance and the ability to go at top speed throughout a game. He has a fine outside jump shot.

Pushing this pair will be Billy Almashy (6-4), a senior, who has shown flashes of great ability, and Dick Bogenfire (6-2) who scored 120 points in

a game while in high school at London, O. Bogenfire could prove the sleeper of the squad.

Uhl's vacated spot at center will be taken over by Al Sicking (6-6). At 225 pounds he is a rugged competitor under the basket and moves exceptionally well. Blackburn figures he has the best scoring touch of any Flyer cager since All-America star Don (Monk) Meineke. While Sicking had only 157 points to his credit last season, he had an amazing .487 percentage.

The first string guards will be Arlen Bockhorn (6-4) and Don Lane (6-0). Bockhorn is an excellent shot from the floor and a fine defensive man. Lane is a good ball-handler and a fine shot from outside.

Also available for guard duty will be Carmen Riazzi (5-10), who is a flashy little performer with great drive.

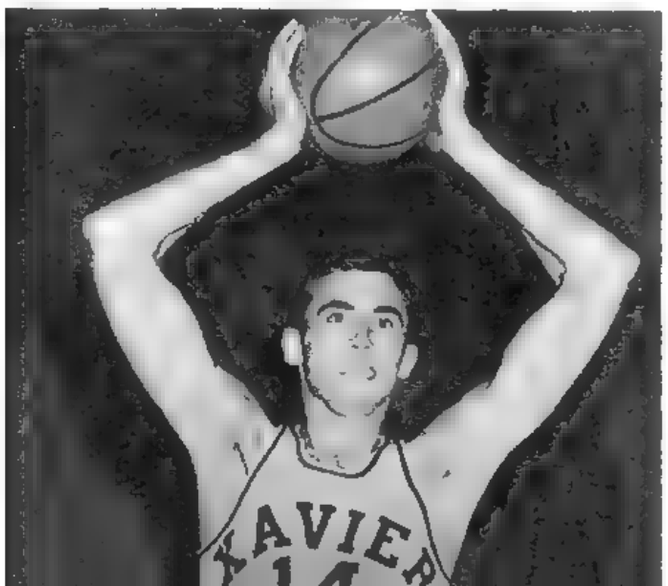
The best of Blackburn's sophomores are Paul Schafer (6-0), a guard with great speed, and Ray Atherton (6-8) center, who needs experience.

Mike Allen, the lanky youngster who caused a national furore when he transferred from Ohio State in mid-season a year ago, will become eligible in February. There's some doubt if he'll be used, however. It is likely he will "sit out" the entire campaign so as to have two full years of varsity competition.

Dayton's "bench" doesn't appear as strong as last season, but still the Flyers figure to be a championship contender all the way.

JIMMY BOOTHE, 5-7 Xavier captain, won star honors at guard in NIT and Queen City tourney last season.

FRANK TARTARON, Xavier center, scored 254 points last year and ranked as standout in defensive play.



XAVIER (Ohio)—One of the most successful seasons in 30 years saw Xavier win the Queen City Invitational Holiday tournament at Buffalo and then go to the second round of the NIT. The Musketeers had an over-all record of 17-11. One of the victories was a resounding 99 to 59 triumph over the eventual NIT champions, Louisville.

Coach Ned Wulk will have back six lettermen but the schedule again is difficult.

The two holdover starters will be captain Jimmy Boothe (5-7) at guard and Frank Tartaron (6-6) at center. Boothe led in scoring with 462 points, for a 16.5 per game average. He was the "Most Valuable Player" in the Queen City Invitational and made the NIT All-tournament team. Boothe is a player who does everything well and if Xavier posts an impressive record he's a certain All-America nominee. Tartaron is a splendid shot and good defensive man. Inexperience led him to excessive fouling last year and he departed from eight contests because of fouls. He scored 254 points.

The forwards will be a pair of sophomores. Corny Freeman (6-5) was outstanding on the unbeaten yearling team, and if he lives up to expectations he could make the team exceptionally strong. Paired with him will be Joe Viviano (6-5), who was the freshman team's point-maker.

Teaming with Boothe at guard will be Franny Stahl (5-10), a senior. One of the best dribblers in collegiate circles and a fine set shot.

On another unit Wulk will have letterman Tony Olberding (6-5) and sophomore Jim Puthoff (6-3) at forwards; Stu Courchaine (6-8), a letterman, at center; and sophomore Hank Stein (6-2) and Jim Dentinger (6-4) at guards.

PITTSBURGH—A line on Pittsburgh's chances to improve on its 15-10 record of a year ago will be provided early.

The Panthers have a rugged early season program that includes four games on the road, plus participation in the Steel Bowl Invitational and Orange Bowl tournament at Miami.

If Coach Bob Timmon's squad can survive those early tests in good shape, then Pitt may make things rough all along the way.

Pittsburgh lost only one starter, captain Joe Fenwick. There are nine returning lettermen, which gives the Panthers an excellent supply of experience. Timmon's squad includes two six-foot-six performers, but over-all Pitt again will lack size and will spot most opponents a definite height edge.

Co-captains John Riser (6-4) and Bob Lazor (6-5) head the returning veterans. Both figure to break Pitt's career scoring record of 930 points, established from 1952 to 1955 by Ed Pavlick. Lazor scored 804 points during the past two seasons, while Riser tallied 751.

Riser, who excels playing the boards, will be at one forward with Julius Pegues (6-3) at the other. Pegues is the key man on a fast break and scored 308 points.

Lazor, a fine rebounder and push shot artist, will be starting center with lettermen Chuck Hursh (6-4) and Don Hennon (5-9), leading frosh scorer last season, at guards. Hennon is an excellent ball handler and playmaker.

To furnish reserve support, Timmons will have a quintet composed of letterman Phil Kleinman (6-4) and Richard Wosnicki (5-9) up from the reserves, at forwards; sophomore Dave Sawyer (6-6) at center and letterman Milan Markovich (5-11) and Bill Dillon (6-3) at guards

Other lettermen certain to see heavy duty are Howard Lester (6-2), John Laneve (6-0) and Barry Brautigam (6-6). Sophomores who may break into the lineup are Lloyd Simpson (6-1), Robert Verderber (6-2), Art Gob (6-4) and Bill Kaliden (6-0).

DEPAUL (Ill.)—A perennial power in big time collegiate basketball circles, DePaul will make a determined bid for national honors again this season. The Blue Demons have competed seven times in the 14-year coaching regime of Ray Meyer in either the National Invitational or NCAA post-season tournaments.

DePaul won 16 while losing eight last year to give Meyer an over-all record of 241 victories as against 109 defeats for a .688 average. Only once under his direction has DePaul lost more games than it has won.

DePaul lost some talented players like Ron Sobieszczyk, the team's top scorer; Ken Jasky, second high point maker; Bill Robinzine and Ed Curtin from its fine outfit of a year ago. However, Meyer will have back six lettermen.

Meyer's biggest worry is that he lacks the size normally needed for a championship outfit. The starting unit will have only one player over six-foot-three.

Veterans Chuck Henry (6-3) and Sherman Rosen (6-2) will be at forwards. Henry is a fine rebounder and deadly on drive-in shots. He scored 110 points. Rosen is a talented ball handler, but didn't have much of an opportunity a year ago He scored only 52 points while playing in 17 games.

Dick Heise (6-5) will be at center. He was used at forward the last two seasons, but had experience as a center in high school. He possesses a good right-hand hook shot.

The guards will be Ron Lakin (5-11) and Chet Tabor (6-2). Lakin broke into the lineup after mid-year last season after transferring from Wisconsin. He is a fine ball-handler and good defensive man. Tabor played in only 12 games as a sophomore, but is a rugged floorman and a good outside shot.

On his second unit, Meyer will have Nick Hahn (6-4) and John Sedowski (6-4) at forwards; Hugh Naughton (6-6) at center and Ken Guran (6-0) and Stan Killian (6-0) at guards. Hahn is the only member of the quintet with any previous varsity experience.

DePaul's schedule is highlighted with games against Notre Dame, Louisville and Dayton along with an appearance in the Dixie Classic at Raleigh, N. C.

NOTRE DAME—An inevitable slump hit Notre Dame a year ago and for the first time since Coach Johnny Jordan took over the reins in 1952, the Irish had a losing season.

After winning 71 while losing 28 during Jordan's first four seasons and twice going to the quarter-finals of the National Collegiate championship, Notre Dame dropped to a poor mark of nine victories as against 15 losses.

The Irish this season will have good size and with a mixture of experienced veterans and some bright sophomore prospects should improve its mark. Jordan has five lettermen returning.

The call at forwards will go to captain John Smyth (6-5) and sophomore Tom Hawkins (6-6). Smyth was second in scoring last season to the graduated Lloyd Aubrey. He had 388 points, for a 16.1 per game average. Smyth possesses an effective jump shot and is an excellent rebounder. Hawkins has the size and all-around ability to become a top performer. He needs experience, but Jordan is confident he can step into the starting lineup and hold his own.

At center will be sophomore Mike Ireland (6-7), who possesses a good hook shot but needs a lot of polish.

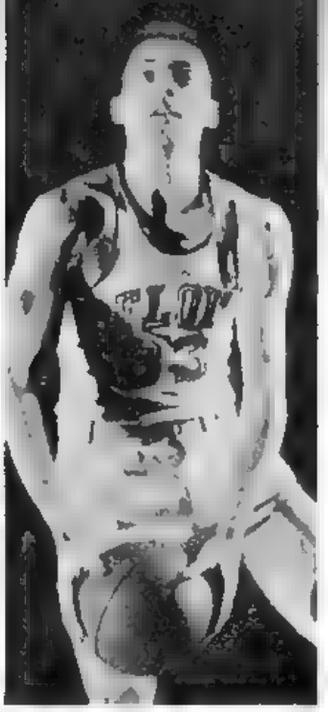
The call at guards will go to lettermen Bob Devine (6-0) and Ed Gleason (6-0). Devine is an excellent playmaker and was third in scoring with 318 points. Gleason saw limited duty a year ago and scored only 59 points.

JOHN RISER, Panther co-captain, has scored 751 in 2 years at forward.

BOB LAZOR, Pitt pivot, with 804 points aims at career record for school.

JOHN SMYTH, Irish captain, scored 388 points and was tough under the boards as forward.

BOB DEVINE, standout playmaker, gets the call as starting guard for Notre Dame this season.



DON WILLIAMS, Beloit forward, rates excellent shot and fine rebounder.

JACK SANDERS is key figure in Beloit plans as 6-5 junior pivot man.

Backing them up will be lettermen Joe Morelli (6-1) and Lee Ayotte (6-4).

MARQUETTE—Figures can be deceiving and Marquette's 13-11 record last season on the surface doesn't look impressive. Yet, Coach Jack Nagle's quintet actually was far stronger than the won-and-lost record shows.

The team had a back-breaking schedule that included competition in the DePaul Holiday, the Sugar Bowl and NIT tournaments. It gave powerful San Francisco, the National Collegiate champion, its toughest game of the season before bowing, 65 to 58.

Graduation took five performers from that squad and guard Al Avant is a classroom casualty.

Nagle's big problem is to find a replacement for Terry Rand, six-foot-nine-inch pivotman, who broke all individual game, season and career scoring records during his three seasons with the Warriors.

To take over for Rand, Nagle will use either Jay Schauer (6-6), who was handicapped by an injury most of last season, or towering sophomore Mike Moran (6-9).

The most likely nominee to take over the scoring burden Rand is relinquishing is John Glaser (6-5) who will be at one forward. Glaser was runner-up last season with 260 points. He has a deadly hook shot, can fake and drive.

Pairing at forward with Glaser will be Jim Benka (6-5), who started slowly but showed excellent development.

Jim McCoy (6-0), a sophomore and brother of former Michigan State star Julius McCoy, has won a starting guard berth with his speed, defensive ability and all-around offensive talent. The other spot will go to Bob Walczak (6-1). Walczak was the sparkplug of the Marquette team of two seasons ago which won 24 out of 27 games. He didn't match that brilliant performance last season, but is counted on heavily for a comeback.

JOHN GLASER, Marquette forward, shows ability to fake and drive as he cuts around San Francisco's Carl Boldt to drive in for layup. He tallied 260 as soph.

BOB WALCZAK, Marquette senior is being counted on to regain top court form.

To support these starters, Nagle will have another unit which will have letterman Gerry Hopfensperger (6-5) and sophomore Gene Suppelsa (6-3) at forwards; Moran at center; letterman Clem Massey (6-0) and sophomore Mike Wylie (6-0) at guards.

The schedule again is rough, highlighted with games against Kansas, DePaul, Michigan State, Minnesotta, Louisville and Notre Dame.

BELOIT—One of the top "small college" coaches in the nation, Dolph Stanley has posted an amazing record in 11 seasons at Beloit. His teams have won 221 games, while losing only 51. Last year, Beloit won 14 while losing nine.

Prospects are bright for another strong combination as Stanley has 10 lettermen. Team lost three top performers in Dick Hartzell, Bob Litwiller and Jack Vahradian by graduation, but reserves should furnish adequate replacements.

Jack Sanders (6-5) will be at center and will be the youngster around whom Stanley builds his quintet. Sanders was runner-up for team scoring honors last season when a sophomore, with 266 points.

The forwards will be Don Williams (6-1) and Ed Hager (6-2). Williams is an excellent shot from the floor and was third in scoring with 241 points. Hager saw little action until late in the season, but then closed in brilliant fashion. He is a fine rebounder.

The guards will be Ken Monson (6-2) and Jerry Leggett (5-9). Leggett, only senior on the starting unit, is adept on drive-in shots and an outstanding defensive man.

WAYNE STEVENS (31), Cincinnati jumping jack soars to elude Western Kentucky's Owen Lawson and score.

The second team will have Darrell Gage (6-2) and Paul Hudgens (6-0) at forwards; Dave Johnson (6-6) at center and Gary Whitlow (5-9) and Jim Jannes (5-10) at guards. Johnson is being counted upon heavily because of his ability to control the boards and his effective work on tip-ins.

CINCINNATI—After two great seasons during which it won 21 while losing eight in 1954-1955 and compiled a 17-7 mark last season, Cincinnati's prospects of matching those records isn't bright.

Graduation took Phil Wheeler, Dave Plunkett and Willie Ernst, a trio of starters who averaged 51 points per game. That leaves Coach George Smith a tremendous gap to fill as he rebuilds his squad to handle a stern 24-game schedule that includes Dayton, Xavier, Duquesne, St. Louis and Seton Hall.

The two regulars from last season who are returning are captain Frank Nimmo (6-2), one of the fine all-around guards in Mid-Western basketball circles; and forward Wayne Stevens (6-3).

A sprinter and high jumper on the varsity track team, Stevens frequently outjumps players six inches taller. He was the team's top rebounder a year ago with 334. Nimmo will be playing his third season as a regular. He has averaged 11.6 points per game for the past two years. Nimmo is a fine passer, play-maker and defensive man. He'll be a bidder for All-America honors.

Paired with Stevens at forward will be Tom Hood (6-5), a youngster who never quite lived up to expectations. This could be the season he develops into a star. Teaming with Nimmo at guard will be Jack Gumbert (6-3), a fine ball handler, but only a fair shot.

The starting center will be Connie Dierking (6-9), who saw only limited action. If he comes through, the Bearcats' chances will brighten considerably.

On the second unit will be four sophomores along with letterman Ron Apke (6-1). The forwards will be Mike Mendenhall (6-3) and Rod Nall (6-4), with Dave Tenwick (6-5) at center and Dick

FRANK NIMMO, Cincinnati defensive ace and playmaker, scrambles for ball with Miami's Bill Kennon.

Cetrone (6-2) at guard position opposite Apke.

LOYOLA OF CHICAGO—Graduation and ineligibility have taken a heavy toll. Five lettermen from the team which won 10 while losing 14 last season graduated. Scholastic difficulties felled George Burmeister, a six-foot-eight center and Paul Sheedy, who had been counted on to take over one of the guard positions. In addition letterman Joe Shirk left school.

The departures of these performers leaves coach George Ireland with a hatful of problems. There are five lettermen returning, but only one held a regular berth.

With a rugged 22-game schedule plus participation in the Chicago Stadium Holiday tournament, the Loyola outlook is a bit gloomy.

Ireland will start a team which will have lettermen Jim DeWulf (6-4) and Art McZier (6-4) at forwards. DeWulf, who is used frequently at pivot, has an excellent hook shot. He was fourth among scorers last season with 213. McZier is a good offensive performer, but defensive difficulties reduced his effectiveness.

Steve Mrkvicka (6-10), a junior who saw limited service, is slated to get the call at center. Ireland figures the manner in which he comes through could make-or-break the quintet. He did not play basketball until his senior year in high school and consequently is extremely inexperienced. He is a good left-handed hook shot.

The guards will be Paul Krucker (6-0) and Dave Kaminski (6-1). Krucker is a good rebounder and rugged under the basket. He was a regular two years ago, but missed most of last season because of a dislocated shoulder. Kaminski is a sophomore.

On his second team, Ireland will have letterman Phil Werbiski (6-3) and sophomore Ray Stopa (6-2) at forwards; Jim Weisman (6-5), another sophomore, at center; and sophomores Frank Hogan (6-1) and Tom Walsh (6-0) at guards.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN—Ten returning lettermen bolster hopes Central Michigan will improve its 12-11 record of a year ago. Team has a new coach in Ted Kjolhede, who is moving into collegiate ranks after compiling a fine record, including one State championship, in Michigan high school circles.

The major problem is to replace Glenn Stuart and Dick Kackmeister, who finished one-two in team scoring. Stuart set a single season school record with 449 points, while Kackmeister tallied 338.

Tom Brown (6-2) and Duane Ingraham (6-4) will be starting forwards, with Don Ellis (6-4) at center and Dean Adams (6-1) and Dean Davenport (5-10) at guards.

In supporting roles will be Tim Burdon (6-1) and Sean Sweeney (6-0) at forwards; Dave Angus (6-6) at center; and Bernie Tinsley (5-10) and Mike Sweeney (6-0) at guards. Angus provides some much needed height and before the season progresses far may make a strong bid for a starting berth.

BALDWIN-WALLACE—A player who leads a strange "double life" in athletics is the key around whom Coach Ray Watts will build his Baldwin-Wallace team. Wynn Hawkins (6-2), who pitches professionally in the Cleveland Indians' baseball farm system in the Summer, plays college basketball in the winter. The "double life" is permissible under the school's rules whereby an athlete is ineligible for college play only in the sport where he has professionalized himself.

Hawkins, who led in scoring with 254 points as Baldwin-Wallace won 13 games while losing six, is one of the six lettermen returning. An excellent shot and fine defensive player, he will be paired at forward with Lou Tsipis (6-2). Center will be John Herbert (6-6), who was ineligible a year ago. He is a fine rebounder and has a good hook shot. At guards will be Ron Boswell (6-4) and Ed Wilson (6-1), moving up from the reserves. Boswell is a good floorman. Wilson will be the playmaker.

On another unit will be Bill Hicks (6-3) and Larry Sklenar (6-0) at forwards; Hal Lawson (6-4) at center; and Pat Gallagher (5-9) and Jack Warning (5-11) at guards.

YOUNGSTOWN—The loss of Tony Knott, one of the greatest point-makers in Ohio college basketball history, poses a serious problem for Coach Dom Roselli. Knott scored over 2,000 points during his four seasons. He tallied 705 points in 26 games last season for a 27.1 average.

Knott was the only performer lost, however, from a team which went to the NAIA tournament.

The returning lettermen are topped by sophomore Herb Lake (6-5), second in scoring to Knott with 420 and a 16.8 average. Lake will be at one forward with Bob Atterholt (6-2) at the other.

Bob Mayberry (6-7), who will be playing his fourth season as a regular, will be the center. Mayberry is a tip-in and rebound artist. He scored 203 points a year ago.

The guards will be Charley Moore (5-10) and Paul Danilov (6-0).

Reserve strength will be provided by four more veterans. They are forwards Charley Bushman (6-5) and John Melfi (5-9) and guards Ralph Melfi (5-10) and John Zuban (6-3).

NORTHERN ILLINOIS—A formidable rebuilding job faces coach Bill Healey after his team posted a poor mark of only five victories as compared with 14 defeats a year ago.

Five lettermen are returning and two other performers who figure to be of considerable help will gain eligibility in mid-season.

The quintet will build around John Olson, six-foot-four forward, who led the team in scoring with 417 points, for a 21.9 average. Teaming with him likely will be Stan Heth, who showed well in his limited playing time a year ago and scored 150 points.

Letterman Karl Dennis likely will get first call at center, with veterans Tom Seger and Charley Faso at guards.

For the final half of the season, Coach Healey will get help from Louis Flinn and Craig Oberst, who become eligible at the start of the second semester.

MID-AMERICA CONFERENCE

MARSHALL—In his first season as Marshall's head coach, Jules Rivlin led the quintet to a Mid-America Conference championship and a berth in the NCAA playoffs. The team posted an excellent overall record of 18 and 5. In Conference play, the record was 10 and 2

Eight lettermen are returning from that strong combination and Marshall will go into the season favored to retain its championship.

Marshall doesn't have exceptional size, but there is excellent speed, ball-handling and shooting skill. Rivlin's starting quintet will have four holdovers plus a youngster who is regarded as the greatest cage prospect in the school's history.

The forwards will be co-captain Cebe Price (6-2) and Lee Byrd (6-1). Price was unanimous All-Conference choice last season. He does everything well and is the "take charge" player who directs the team He averaged 21 points and if Marshall has another fine record he should be in line for national recognition

Byrd is the newcomer who figures to be the talk of the Conference. He was the most highly touted freshman player Marshall ever had, averaging 37.3 points per game with the yearlings. If he lives up to expectations he'll give the team a tremendous lift.

Starting center will be Dave Kirk (6-3), a fine defensive man and a good rebounder. He broke into the starting lineup as a sophomore a year ago

At guards will be co-captain Paul Underwood (6-2) and Hal Greer (6-2), both of whom were regulars last season. Underwood is a fine set shot, who averaged 20 2 points. Greer averaged 15.5 and hit on 60 per cent of his field goal attempts to lead the Mid-America and rank second nationally in shooting percentage.

On another unit will be letterman Jack Freeman (6-0) and sophomore Sonny Allen (5-10) at forwards; sophomore Dick Hall (6-5) at center with holdover Bob Ashley (6-4) and John Derrow (6-3) at guards.

WAYNE EMBRY, Miami (O.) center, packs 240 for under basket work.

JOHN POWELL, 6-foot guard, scored 302 points for Miami last season.

MIAMI—Excellent balance and exceptional size figure to make Miami a strong bidder once again for Mid-America Conference title honors. Runner-up to Marshall a year ago, the team had a league record of 8 and 4 and an overall mark of 12 and 8.

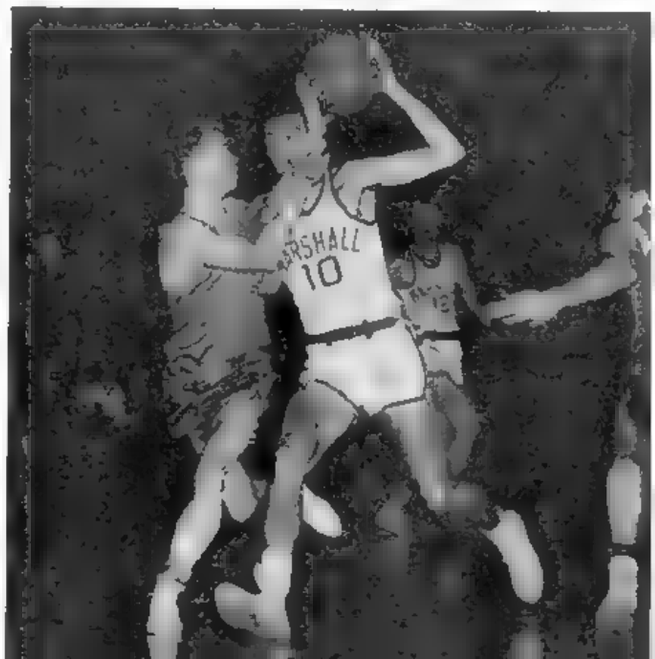
Coach Billy Rohr will have six lettermen back plus a batch of prize sophomores. The squad includes five players who are six-foot-six or taller.

The forward berths will go to letterman Ronald Ellis (6-6), who is a good left-handed shot, and sophomore Ed Wingard (6-6), who averaged 15 points per game for the freshmen a season ago.

Letterman Wayne Embry (6-6), who scored 151 points and was second in rebounds with 198, will get the starting call at center. He is a 240-pounder who is extremely rough under the basket.

The guards will be letterman John Powell (6-0) and Jim Thomas (6-3). Powell was the first

CEBE PRICE, one of greatest ball handlers ever at Marshall, drives past Toledo defender to sink layup.



HERB LAKE brings 16.8 average to cage wars as forward for Youngstown.

BOB ATTERHOLT, set shot ace, will handle a Youngstown forward post.

sophomore cager in Miami history to score over 300 points. He was third among the team's scorers with 302. Thomas is a sophomore who had a 16-point-per-game average with the freshmen.

On the second team will be sophomore Bill Brown (6-6) and letterman Alan Geygan (6-4) at forwards; Ron Albers (6-6) at center and Curtis Gentry (6-0) and Larry Crist (5-8) at guards.

BOWLING GREEN—After two straight losing seasons, Harold Anderson is ready to make a strong comeback.

In 1954-55, Bowling Green was 6 and 16, and last year the mark was a feeble 4 and 19. That doesn't set well with Anderson, whose 22 year coaching record here and at Toledo gives him the seventh best won-and-loss record among major college coaches with a minimum of 10 years service. Anderson's career mark of 397 against 161 defeats gives him an average of .711.

The only coaches to top him are Adolph Rupp of Kentucky; Hank Iba of Oklahoma A. & M.; Phog Allen of Kansas; Ed Diddle of Western Kentucky; Peck Hickman of Louisville and John Russell of Seton Hall.

Anderson will have back six lettermen from a cellar team but it is on sophomores that he is depending strongly. The freshmen were unbeaten last season in 17 games and rolled up an aggregate of 1,333 points. Mixing these newcomers in with experienced performers figures to put Bowling Green back on the winning road.

Rex Leach (6-4), who averaged 42 points per game as a senior in high school at Vienna, O. and was the freshman team's top pointmaker with 257 points, will be at one forward. His running mate probably will be letterman Chrystal Ellis (6-4), playing his fourth season of varsity ball. He was second scorer last season with 329; has a good jump shot and is a fine rebounder.

Letterman Al Reinke (6-7) will be at center and could be the key to the team's fortune. He moves well for a big performer and can control the boards.

The veteran James Tucker (5-11), who missed the final half of last season because of a leg injury, and sophomore James McDonald (6-1) will be at guards. Tucker provides the real speed of the quintet and is excellent on the fast break.

On another unit will be letterman John Slesinger (6-5) and sophomore Charles McCampbell (6-3) at forwards; sophomore Dick Abele (6-4) at center and sophomore Frank Wade (6-1) and letterman Tom Schwyn (6-0) at guards. Also sure to be in contention are Ben Williams (6-3) and Ed Harling (6-3), a pair of sophomore forwards; and Jerry Kraemer (6-5), junior center.

TOLEDO—After two rough seasons of rebuilding, coach Eddie Melvin has reached a point where he feels the Rockets are ready to move again.

Toledo won only five games, while losing 17 in 1954-55 when Melvin made his debut. They improved to 9-13 a year ago. Now with sophomores

PRIZE SOPHS ranking high in Bowling Green picture are Dick Abele, sub center, and starters Rex Leach, high scoring forward and Jim McDonald, guard.

and juniors who have worked under his system as the nucleus there's hope Toledo has the talent required to meet a rugged 22-game schedule that includes battles with NIT finalists, Louisville and Dayton.

Melvin has five cagers who are six-feet-four or taller among his 12-man varsity squad.

Gene Knauss (6-5) at one forward is counted upon to be the key performer. His running mate likely will be Russ Bierly (6-4), senior. Either the veteran Chalmers Stoneburner (6-6) or sophomore John Sparvero (6-8), will be at center; with Jerry Eitzman (5-10) and Joe Kiefer (5-10) at guards.

On another unit likely will be Joe Buneta (6-4) and Gene Cook (6-3) at forwards; John Arkebauer (6-4) at center; and Bud Felhaber (6-2) and Murray Guttman (6-3) or Albert Vann (6-3) at guards. At mid-season a fine looking sophomore prospect, Bill Newson (6-3) will gain eligibility.

WESTERN MICHIGAN—A year ago, Western Michigan stayed in the Mid-America Conference title fight until the final weeks. The Broncos eventually finished third with an over-all season's mark of 13-9.

Coach Joe Hoy, beginning his fifth season, figures his quintet again should be a strong Mid-America contender.

Jack Smith, who led in scoring with 445 points and won All-Conference honors, heads the returning lettermen. He will be at one forward with sophomore Ed Blair at the other. The center will be six-foot-six Gordon Rogers, who played in only seven contests and consequently is lacking in experience. Starting guards will be lettermen Roger Newman and Jerry Mitchell.

On another unit, Hoy will have lettermen Bill Waun and Larry Pedracine at forwards; with newcomers Jack Schroeder at center and Ken Roselli and LaVerne Brown at guards.

OHIO UNIVERSITY—Some fine experienced men bolster hopes Ohio University can better its 13-11 mark and become a championship factor. Coach Jim Snyder has nine lettermen returning and

there is good over-all size and speed on the squad.

Fred Moore (6-4), who was second in team scoring with 308 and Bob Peters (6-3), who dropped in 190 points, will be at forwards. Peters is a steady, all-around performer with ability to hit from any spot. Moore is a good floor shot.

Snyder is counting heavily on David Scott (6-6), a sophomore, at center. The guards will be letterman Don Sifft (6-2) and sophomore Dick Norman (6-0). Sifft is a fine set shot and good ball handler.

On another unit, Snyder will have Bob Evans (6-3) and Russ Grooms (6-5) at forwards; Henry Pell (6-4) at center and Bob Anderson (6-0) and John Tudor (6-1) at guards. Evans was third among the scorers last season with 283 points and may battle his way into the starting lineup. Tudor is a fine floor man and rebounder

OHIO CONFERENCE

AKRON—Long a power in Ohio Conference basketball circles, Akron figures to be a strong title contender again.

Akron won the league championship a year ago by winning nine out of 10 conference contests. The only defeat was a 66 to 65 setback at the hands of Oberlin. In four of its conference victories, the Zippers scored more than 100 points, with a season's high of 121 against Heidelberg. Akron had an aggregate of 1,988 points, a per game average of 86.4 for the season.

The title was the fifth coach Russ Beichly has won in his 17 seasons. He has an over-all record here of 228 triumphs as against 126 defeats.

Ten lettermen are returning from the title-winning squad. The chief loss was Mike Harkins, the team's leading scorer and an all-league player.

BOB EVANS, who sank 283 points, battles for Ohio U. forward position.

FRED MOORE hit 308 last season and is one of Ohio starting forwards.

However, there appears ample talent available to compensate for his departure.

Fred Golding (6-6), second in scoring with 343 points, is back and will be at one forward. He is an excellent all-around shot and a fine rebounder. Paired with him will be Larry Ondecker (5-10), a fine outside shot. Ray Pryear (6-7), who broke into the starting lineup as a freshman, will be at center. Pryear dropped in 295 points and with a year's experience should be much more valuable. The first string guards will be Dick Ondecker (5-9), the team's most valuable player a year ago, and Joe Wood (6-3).

On another unit, Beichly will have John Economou (6-4) and Pat Fenton (6-3) at forwards; Dick Harrison (6-4) at center and Ed Batman (6-1) and Bud Watts (6-1) at guards.

MOUNT UNION—One of the nation's finest small college players, Don (Goose) Talbert, is the chief reason Mount Union figures to be a strong contender for Ohio Conference honors. A year ago the team posted a 9-4 record in the Conference and had an overall mark of 14 and 5.

Talbert, now a junior, dropped in 355 points as a freshman for a 16.9 average and last year he set three school records as he rolled up 467 points, for a 24.6 average. Six-foot-four, Talbert not only was great offensively with his hook shot, but he was a superlative rebounder, picking off 277. He will be the starting center.

Coach George Hunter, in his sixth season here, will have five lettermen returning in addition to Talbert.

The first string forwards will be captain Bruce Pumphrey (5-11), the only senior, and sophomore Charley Kemp (6-2). Pumphrey was second to Talbert last season with 236 points and Kemp ranked fourth with 177. The starting call at guards likely will go to Billy Roof (6-5) and Ed (Sonny) Gardner (6-0).

On another combination, Coach Hunter probably will have Harry Baird (6-0), who played the final half of last season when a freshman, and Jack Gottschling (6-0) at forwards. Letterman Dan Richards (6-3) will be at center, with veterans Paul Gustas (5-10) and Bill Mitzel (5-10) at guards.

DENISON—A cager who ranks as the greatest in Denison history is the key performer around whom the 1956-57 combination will be built. Lou Mitchell (6-0) holds every Denison scoring record for a single game, season and career. As a sophomore he scored 546 points for a 26 points average. Last season he dropped in 453 for a 22.7 average. With 1,302 points in three seasons of varsity play he'll be shooting for the all-time Ohio Conference record of 1,649 points this season.

In addition to his exceptional shooting ability, Mitchell is a superlative rebounder. He was second in the conference in this vital department last year, average 18.5 per game.

Paired with him at forward will be Phil Semler

(6-2), who is a moderate scorer but a rugged man under the boards. At center will be Bob Branand (6-4). Handicapped by the after-effects of a polio attack, Branand started slowly but hit stardom late in the season. He averaged 20 points per game during the last half.

The guards will be Bill Hoot (5-9) and Jim Click (5-9). Hoot was third among the team's scorers with 297 points. Click was used both at forward and guard last season. Although lacking in size, he is a fine rebounder.

Coach Jack Swinderman is counting on Dick Trimbur (6-0) to provide considerable help for Mitchell and Semler. He is a transfer from Purdue. The other forward on the second unit will be either Bob Phillips (6-1) or Jerry Guyer (6-0). At center will be Karl Lange (6-4) or Ron Gearhart (6-3), with Bob Barney (5-10) and Ed Heekin (6-0) at guards.

HEIDELBERG—Experience and size, plus greater familiarity with the coaching system, provide hope Heidelberg will show considerable improvement over last year's 9-12 record. Marvin Frye, who took over head coaching duties a year ago, found the going exceptionally rough and his quintet lost seven of its first eight games. The team showed considerably more power and finesse in the final half and Frye is hopeful the improvement will carry over.

Heidelberg will have 15 cagers returning who saw some service last year. The veterans are topped by Roy Anderson (6-5) center, who will be playing his fourth season, and forward Bob Baur (6-5), who has won letters the past two years. Anderson and Baur provide the size that figures to give the team control of the boards.

At forward opposite Baur will be letterman Harold Bergendorf (6-2). The starting guard assignments likely will be DeMont Sponseller (5-9), a veteran of three seasons, and Bill Groman (5-11).

On another combination, Frye will have Calvin Dilworth (5-11) and either Carl Porter (6-2) or Jerry Fulmer (6-2) at forwards; Conrad Heidt (6-4) or Scott Read (6-2) at center; and Jim Russell (5-11) and Ron Whisler (5-10) or Eugene Smith (5-11) at guards.

MUSKINGUM—Seven lettermen are returning from a team which won 13 and lost six a year ago as Coach Bob Burkholder made his Muskingum debut. The team will be built around Lenny Nelson (6-3), who averaged 24.4 points and led in scoring with 463 points. He will be at one forward with John MacMillan (6-5) at the other. MacMillan scored 172 points last season.

Fred Seidel (6-4) will be at center. He accounted for 219 points. The guards will be Bruce Westwood (5-8) and Doug Palmer (5-10).

In reserve roles will be Jerry Brannon (6-1) and Alan Alkire (6-0) and Gary Pike (6-1).

OHIO WESLEYAN—Lack of depth is the big worry of coach Robert Strimer. He has seven lettermen returning from a team that compiled a poor 7-15 record. Strimer will build his quintet around Gene Richter (6-4) at center. Richter, a transfer student, didn't gain eligibility until the final half of the season. He averaged 11 points per game during his limited play. He is a fine ball handler and adept with a hook shot.

The nod for the starting forward spots will likely go to Leigh Stockstill (6-3) and Jim Hibbitts (6-0). Stockstill was second scorer last season with 263 for a 12.5 average. Hibbitts (258 points) is counted upon to be the team's sparkplug and is a fine outside shot. Guards will be veterans Frank Sargent (6-1) and Bill Jennings (5-7).

The chief support for the starters will come from forward John Williams (6-2) and Ron Rich (5-8) at guard.

WOOSTER—After one of its infrequent losing seasons, Wooster expects to put its cage account back on the right side of the ledger. The team won 10, while losing 11 last year for one of the poorest marks in the 31-year coaching career here of the veteran E. M Hole.

Six lettermen are returning but the chief handicap the team faces is lack of size. The tallest cager is six-foot-three.

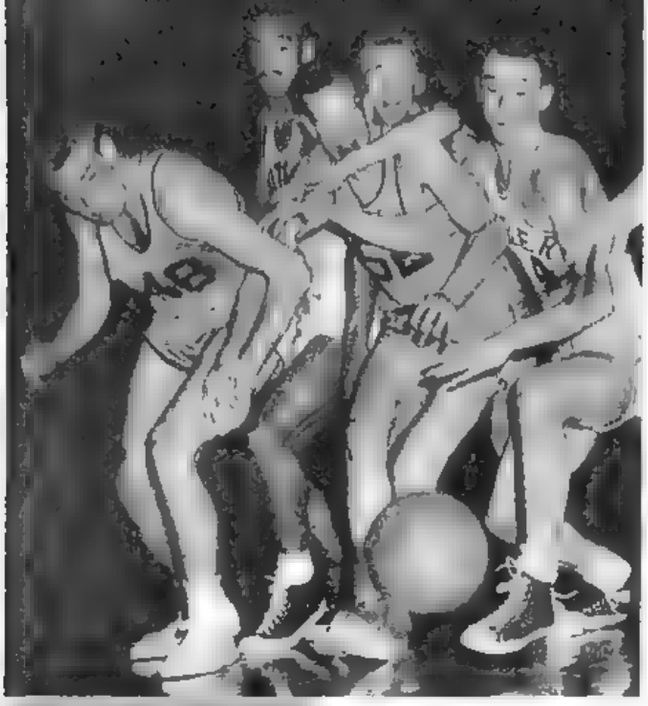
Returning veterans are headed by captain Dick Garcia (5-11) and Don Dixon (5-11) who ranked one-two in the scoring last season with 270 points and 280, respectively. Bob Schubert (6-3), who saw limited duty last year, likely will get the call at center, with letterman Roger Ramseyer (6-2) and Het Welty (6-2) at guards.

Another combination probably will have Stan Totten (5-10) and Tom Justice (5-10) at forwards. Justice missed 10 games in mid-season because of injuries suffered in a bob-sled accident. Bob Andrews (6-1) will be at center and Dick Weiss (6-0) and Don Romig (6-1) at guards.

MARIETTA—After rolling through the Ohio Conference with unbeaten records for two years (1953-54 and 1954-55), Marietta ran into the inevitable decline last season and finished below the .500 mark with 10 victories as against 11 losses. Coach Bill Whetsell now is attempting to rebuild, but there's little experienced talent. The nucleus will be four lettermen, only two of whom saw heavy action.

The lone senior on the squad will be Gene Nangle (6-1), who will pair at forward with sophomore Tom Schmidt (6-1). Another sophomore, Dick Cecil (6-3) will be at center with Marv McCormick (6-1) and either Earl Welton (6-1) or Charles McMillan (6-0) at guards.

WITTENBERG—A new coach and inexperienced personnel dim Wittenberg's outlook. Seven lettermen were lost from the team which posted a mediocre 8-12 record and coach Ramon Mears, making his collegiate debut after compiling a brilliant record in Ohio high school circles, will depend largely on sophomores.



TED GUZEK, Butler ace, right, breaks out of pack with control of the ball.

BOB PLUMP, who hit for 94 of 114 foul shots, is standout guard at Butler.

The heaviest loss Wittenberg faces is the graduation of Jack Hawken, who led team scorers with 392 points and holds the all-time Wittenberg career record with 1,610 for four seasons.

Terry Deems (6-4), who won a starting berth as a freshman, and was second to Hawken in scoring with 382, will be the key man at center in Mears' plans. Deems is a fine rebounder and topped the Ohio Conference in this vital department.

Forward berths will go to Don Scott (6-2), the only senior, and sophomore Dan Hennon (6-3). Scott scored 168 points and Hennon 157 last season. At guards will be Ray George (6-3), who didn't break into the starting lineup until the final six games but then showed extremely well, and Bernard Thompson (6-2), who is a fine floor shot.

CAPITAL—After 27 years as head basketball coach at Capital, Bill Bernlohr has turned the coaching duties over to "Whitey" Regan. The new coach will have back six lettermen from a team which won nine and lost 11.

Leading the returning veterans will be Mike Outcalt, center and the team's leading scorer. The forwards will be co-captains Chuck Kessler and Paul Snyder, with Roger Miller and Willard Emch or George Steele at guards.

INDIANA CONFERENCE

BUTLER—In Mid-Western basketball circles this season there's a warning of "Look out for Hinkle." The Hinkle in question is Coach Paul D. (Tony) Hinkle of Butler and there is a feeling that his Bulldogs will cause all kinds of trouble during a formidable 25-game schedule that includes seven Big Ten opponents, Notre Dame, UCLA and Denver in addition to conference opponents.

A year ago Butler had a modest 14-9 mark but there is more than meets the eye to the record. The team closed exceptionally fast, winning its last six games. Hinkle has six lettermen returning, four from his starting unit.

Hinkle called the 1955-56 combination the "Greatest shooting team" in his 28 years as head coach here. The team had a shooting average of .371 from the field and .691 from the free throw line.

Returning veterans are topped by Ted Guzek (6-4), who was the ICC's leading scorer and an unanimous All-Conference choice. He averaged 16.8 points per game with a 370 aggregate. Paired at forward with him will be Mark Peterman (6-4), who ranked fourth in team scoring with 240. Peterman is a dangerous left-handed shot and excellent play-maker.

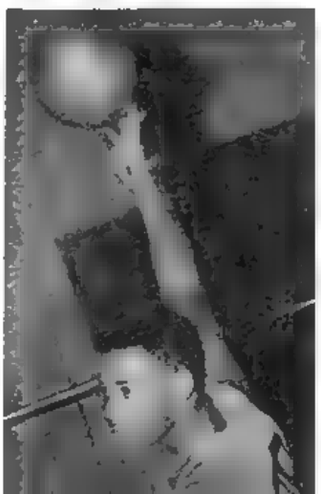
Hank Foster (6-4) will be at center again. He is only a fair shot, but excels as a rebounder, with 191 last season.

The guards will be Bob Plump (5-11) and Wally Cox (6-3). Plump was one of the most efficient foul shots in the Mid-West last season, dropping in 94 out of 114. He's a great ball handler and defensive man. Cox is the only newcomer to the starting lineup. He established a school scoring record on the freshman team two years ago, but didn't quite live up to expectations last season. With a year's experience, however, he may come into his own.

On another unit, Hinkle will have four sophomores and a junior. This combination will have Sheddrick Mitchell (6-2) and Harry Morozowski (6-3) at forwards; Vic Edwards (6-4) at center and Bob Masters (5-11) and Ray Riley (6-2) at guards.

EVANSVILLE—A year ago Evansville won the Indiana Collegiate Conference title with 10 victories in 12 league starts and had an over-all mark of 16-7. The team topped the conference in four

DON TALBERT, Mt. Union scoring ace, ranks among best small college players.



ED ECKART, Valparaiso captain, scored 351 from forward post last season.

statistical departments and rolled up an impressive average of 86.9 points per game in league play.

Coach Arad McCutchan, beginning his 11th season, will have back six lettermen from his title-winning combination. The veterans are topped by John Harrawood (6-2), senior forward who was voted "Most Valuable Player" in the ICC last year. Harrawood approached a national record when he sank 34 consecutive foul shots. Paired with him at forward will be Bob Wessel (6-4), who is an excellent rebound man.

Letterman Clyde Cox (6-3), who had a shooting average of .527 in league competition, will be at center. The first string guards will be Harry Osterman (6-5), who showed tremendous late season improvement, and Dick Sinclair (6-1).

For reserve strength McCutchan will have Hugh Ahlering (6-0) and Don Sheridan (6-4) at forwards; and Harold Cox (5-11) and Larry Carter (6-3) at guards.

Evansville moves into the new 11,000 capacity municipal arena for its home games this season.

VALPARAISO (Ind.)—Under the shrewd direction of Ken Suesens, Valparaiso has made steady progress. Valparaiso's rugged schedule this season includes Indiana, Washington, Notre Dame and Purdue as well as a spot in the Orange Bowl tournament at Miami. Last season, Valparaiso won 12 and lost 14. In the Indiana College Conference, however, it had a 8-4 record and finished in a tie for second.

Four lettermen are returning and they'll be bolstered by three former reserves and a six-foot-six-inch transfer.

Topping the returning lettermen will be captain Ed Eckart (6-5), his fourth season as a regular, at forward. He scored 351 points a year ago. Paired with him will be Gerald Kracinski (6-6), who is a transfer from Wright Junior College in Chicago. He is an excellent rebounder.

Center post will go to Neil Reincke (6-6), who scored 180 points. He moved into a starting spot mid-way through the season and showed steady improvement both as a rebounder and pivotman.

Guards will be Dick Schroer (5-11) and Herman Meyer (6-2). Schroer is a sophomore who is a fine shot from the outside. Meyer is up from the reserves.

The second team will have Jerry Twietmeyer (6-3) and Ken Metcalf (6-3) at forwards. Metcalf is a sophomore who is a superlative passer and excellent shot. Center will be Dick Miller (6-2), with John Noak (6-0) and Terry Medlicott (5-10) at guards. Medlicott is a fine set shot. Noak, a fine defensive player, has been hampered by a knee injury.

JOHN BUNNELL, a fine playmaker, is sparkplug of DePauw bid for title.

BOB SCHRIER has 1,160 points to his credit and 420 high mark at DePauw.

DEPAUW—There is good cause for optimism that DePauw will be a strong title contender. The entire starting unit of a year ago, which won 13 games while losing eight, is returning plus three members of the second team.

Heading the veterans is Bob Schrier (6-2), who holds the DePauw single season scoring record of 420 and the career record of 1,160 points. He has won All-Conference honors for the past seasons and was the team's most valuable player a year ago. Schrier is an excellent jump shot artist and a fine rebounder.

Paired at forward with him will be Tom Johnson (6-0), who scored 199 points. He was hampered late in the season by an ankle injury, but is physically fit again. At center will be a sophomore whose development may be the key to the team's success. Chuck Cleaver (6-7) won a regular berth as a freshman and the experience should make him a vastly improved performer.

The guards will be John Bunnell (6-0) and Joe Lawlor (6-2). Bunnell is the team's sparkplug and was second to Schrier in scoring with 266 points. He's a fine shot from the floor, a talented play-maker and good defensive man. Lawlor led in field goal percentages with a .397 mark. He scored 143 points.

On the second team will be Ernie Modzelewski (6-2) and either Dick Loercher (6-3) or Bing Davis (6-3) at forwards; Sam Ulmer (6-5) at center and Morrie Goodnight (5-11) and Frank Estes (6-0) at guards.

ST. JOSEPH'S—In his first season, Dale O'Connell directed the team to a tie for fourth in the Indiana Collegiate Conference and an over-all mark of 10 and 9, which O'Connell figures the team is certain to better. He has back nine lettermen and his starting unit of a year ago is intact.

While St. Joseph's lacks over-all size, O'Connell hopes to compensate with speed and experience.

Dan Fenker (6-5), who led in scoring with 222

points, heads the returning veterans and will be at center. He's an excellent performer under the basket and is counted on to control the boards.

Forwards will be Bill Lewis (5-11) and Greg Janick (6-3). Lewis is a fast break specialist who scored 149 points and Janick chipped in with 217. Janick ranked second in the league on shooting percentage.

Guards will be Dan Rogovich (5-7) and Ray Banary (5-8). Rogovich is the playmaker and an excellent defensive man. He scored 186 points, while Banary contributed 219.

Another unit will have Jim Noll (6-2) and Jim Elbert (6-2) at forwards; Angelo Dattoma (6-3) at center and Gerald Alstadt (5-11) and George Lux (5-9) at guards.

BALL STATE—After finishing tied for last, Ball State is hopeful of moving up. Eight lettermen plus a letterman of a previous campaign and a transfer who is gaining eligibility provide a good nucleus of experienced talent.

Wayne Van Sickle (6-1), who led in scoring with 418 points for a 17.4 average, will be back at one forward with Tom Dobbs (6-4), runner-up with 358 points, teaming with him.

John Casterlow (6-6), who dropped in 343 points, will be the center, and Jerry Banker (5-10) and Jack Lowe (6-2) are the guards.

Providing reserve strength will be Preston Brown (6-2) and Ted Fulhart (6-2) at forwards; Wilbur Davis (6-6) at center; and Larry Koehl and Terry Schurr (6-0) at guards.

PRESIDENTS' CONFERENCE

WAYNE—The finest record in 28 years was posted by Wayne last season when the team won 18 while losing only three. The Tartars won the Presidents' Conference championship and went to the second round of the NCAA tournament before bowing to Kentucky, 84 to 64

Coach Joel Mason will have back eight lettermen, including his three top scorers, plus some bright newcomers from the freshman team. An 18-game schedule is highlighted by a battle with Louisville's NIT champions, who gave Wayne its only defeat during the regular schedule last year.

George Brown (6-5) who topped the scorers with 366 points for a 17.4 average, is back and again figures to be key man as Wayne is favored to keep its Presidents' Conference crown.

George Duncan (6-1), third in scoring with 277, will be at one forward. Duncan is a superlative shot and hit on 47 per cent of 222 field goal attempts. Paired with him will be Robert Kendrick (6-3), fourth among point-makers with 171.

Clarence Straughn (5-11), voted the team's most valuable player and second to Brown in scoring with 322 points, will be at one guard. His running mate will be Dean Hedden (5-10).

On another combination, Mason will have Mark Wittock (6-2) and Lawrence Gualtieri (5-11) at forwards; Tarpon London (6-9) or Dolzier McDonald (6-5) at center; and Ulysses Harvey (5-9) and Fred Snowden (5-8) at guards

WESTERN RESERVE—There's still a rebuilding job facing Coach Harry Adams, who won seven while losing 10 in his first season. He has five lettermen around which to build his unit.

In an era when giants dominate collegiate basketball courts, Reserve will have a real rarity on its starting unit in Jim Marinelli, who is only five-foot-three. Despite the handicap of his size, Marinelli is an excellent all-around cager. He played every game last season and ranked third among scorers with 198 points for an 11.6 per game average.

Marinelli will be at one guard with Bruce Fichter (6-0) at the other. Fichter was second in scoring with 269 points, for a 15.8 average, and is counted upon to carry the brunt of the scoring this season.

The forwards will be Ed Sarbiewski (6-0) and Bill Fisher (6-3) with Dale Evans (6-3) at center. Evans, the only sophomore, was top point-maker for the freshmen.

Another unit will have Joe Mancini (5-11) and John Case (5-10), a transfer from Notre Dame, at forwards; George Tarbuck (6-2) at center and Ron Miklovic (5-10) and John Babbs (5-8) at guards. Adams is counting on additional help from Bill Welch (6-4), who will gain varsity eligibility at mid-year.

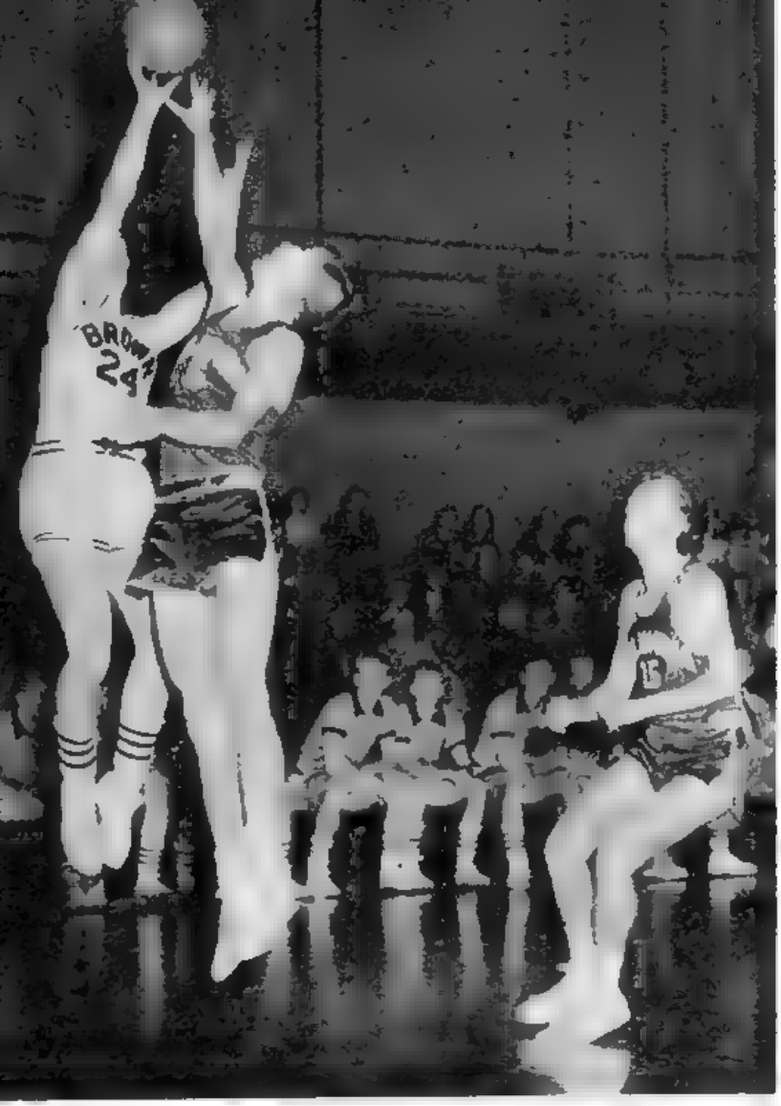
JOHN CARROLL—Fine size and an excellent array of shotmakers figure to make John Carroll a formidable challenger in the conference. The team averaged 90.4 points last season while winning 11 out of 18 and scored 100 or more points four times.

Four lettermen return from that outfit. These veterans plus the talent off a freshman team that was unbeaten in conference play give Coach Sil Cornachione a strong nucleus. Six of the cagers who figure prominently in Cornachione's plans are six-foot-three or taller.

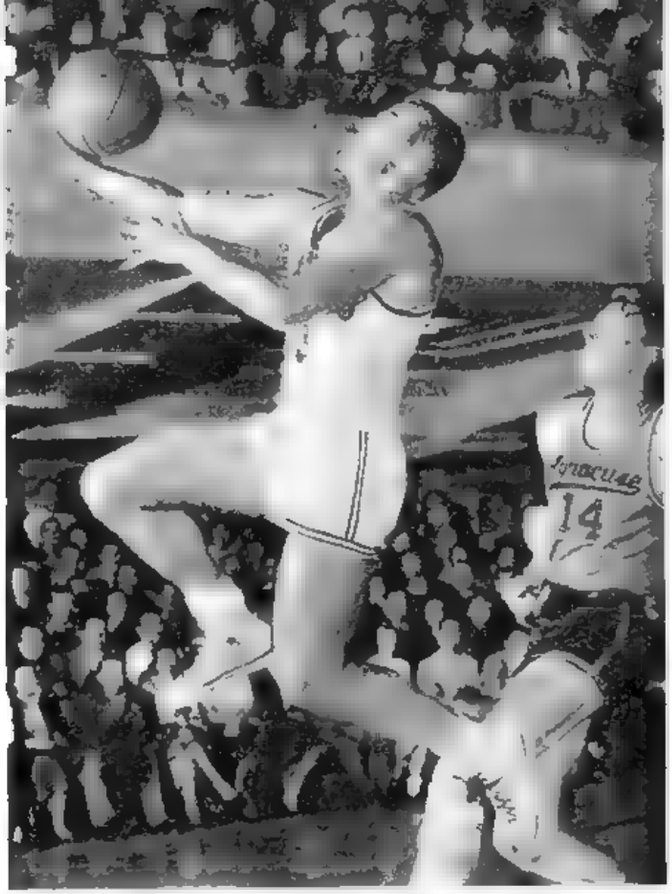
The starting forwards will be Len Volbert (6-3), third in team's scoring with 247 points, and Ted Arvanitis (6-4), who saw only limited duty and had 64 points. Volbert is a fine all-around performer who is an effective hook shot with either hand. Arvanitis has fine speed. Tom Tupa (6-6) will get the call at center, although he played only in spots last season and needs polishing.

The guards will be Frank Humenik (5-10) and John Stavole (6-0). Humenik is the captain and a fine playmaker. He is an excellent dribbler and a good outside shot who scored 200 points. Stavole is a strong defensive performer and dropped in 141 points.

Four of the five performers on the second team will be products of last season's strong freshman unit. At forwards will be Tom Haessly (6-3) and Gary Furin (6-3). At center will be Jim Kenealy (6-5) and guard spots go to Dick Krebs (5-10) and Paul Stricharczuk (5-10). All except Haessly are sophomores.

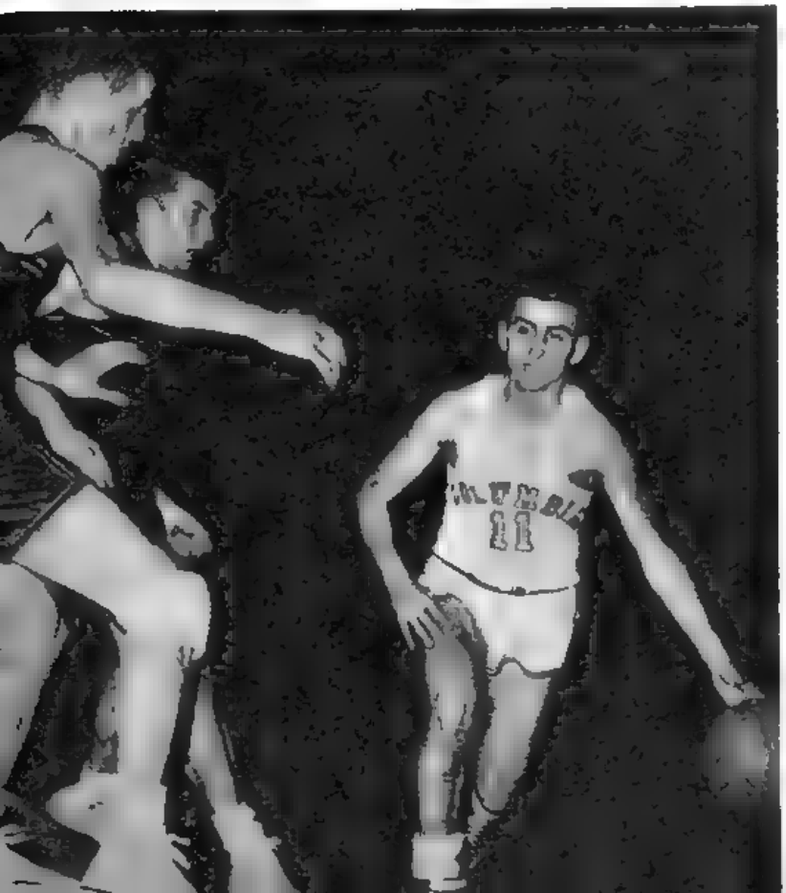


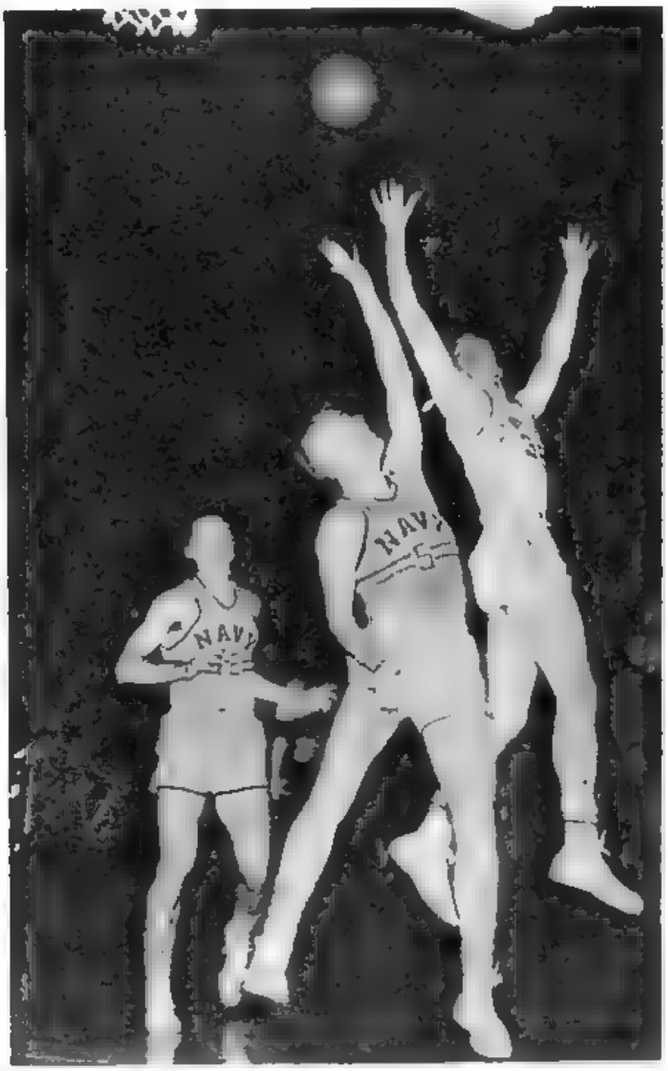
JOE TEBO, 2nd among Ivy scorers, hit 29 points in Columbia tilt. Here Brown ace tops Ted Dwyer (5).



GEORGE WADDLETON, Holy Cross captain, who ranks as brilliant guard, drives in to tally on Syracuse.

CHET FORTE, Columbia captain, shows play-making skill against Princeton. He's All-America bet.





BILL HUCKABEE (33) uses 6-4 to advantage of Army under boards in Service clash with Naval Academy.

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East (Upper)

IVY HAS DISTINCT BIG GREEN TINT: SYRACUSE TOP INDEPENDENT FIVE

PREDICTION

Ivy League	Yankee Conference
1. Dartmouth	1. Connecticut
2. Yale	2. Vermont
3. Columbia	3. Rhode Island
4. Princeton	4. Maine
5. Cornell	5. Massachusetts
6. Harvard	6. New Hampshire
7. Brown	
8. Pennsylvania	

Independents

1. Syracuse	7. St. Michael's
2. Holy Cross	8. Amer. International
3. Colgate	9. St. Anselm's
4. Boston College	10. Siena
5. Boston University	11. Buffalo
6. Army	12. Trinity

Little Three	West'n Little Three
1. Amherst	1. Canisius
2. Williams	2. Niagara
3. Wesleyan	3. St. Bonaventure

Maine Conference—Bates, Colby.

THE area where basketball was born—the Northeast—where the race horse style was pioneered by the Rams from Rhode Island State in the early 1940s and where Bob Cousy put sleight-of-hand maneuverings into the game, will return to the prominence it once enjoyed. Dartmouth, Yale, Syracuse, Canisius and Connecticut should dominate Upper New York State and New England as each has high-scoring lettermen returning as well as outstanding sophomores.

It took Alvin "Doggie" Julian eight years to get his second taste of national attention and the Dartmouth coach plans to remain on top. The Big Green has its entire starting lineup back along with five other lettermen and a pair of highly-rated sophomores. Yale, with a new coach, but with Johnny Lee, a scoring genius, appears to be Dartmouth's main rival in the Ivy League. If Joe Vancisin can get his personnel accustomed to his offense by Dec. 15, when the Elis entertain the Big Green at New Haven and come up with an upset, then the Ivy League could turn into a five-team race.

Columbia, with Chet "The Jet" Forte back in good academic standing and Ted Dwyer adding his strength under the boards, is the dark horse. Coach Lou Rossini will count heavily on three sophomores to give the New Yorkers height and additional scoring power. Experienced squads at Princeton and Cornell also can't be counted out.

Harvard, Brown and Pennsylvania will have trouble staying in the race. Penn finished in a second place tie last year, but with a new coach and the loss of high scorer Joe Sturgis, it looks as though they're headed for the cellar for the first time in 16 years. Spirit, all-around balance and experience will give Harvard a slight nod over Brown for sixth place.

The Ivy League has its share of potential All-Americas in Yale's Lee, Columbia's Forte and Dwyer, Dartmouth's Jim Francis and Ron Judson, Brown's Joe Tebo, Cornell's Irv Roberson, Princeton's Don Davidson; Harvard's Bob Canty and Penn's Dick Csencsitz.

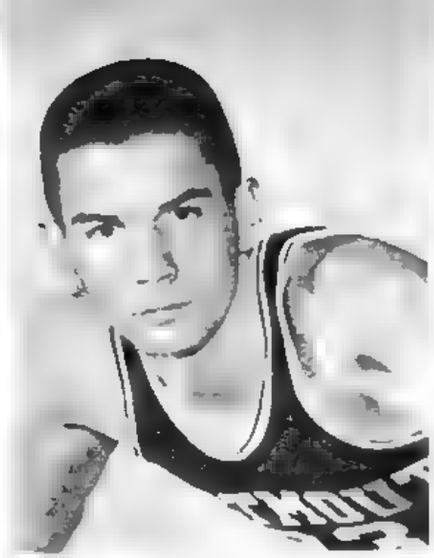
Six lettermen, including the four top scorers, will return to Syracuse and with this experience, plus six-foot-seven sophomore Jon Cinceboy, coach Marc Guley's Orange should become the top independent team in the Northeast. Holy Cross, minus All-American Tom Heinsohn, will continue to have a truly representative team despite the loss of five starters. Sophomore coach Roy Leenig plans to employ a fast break and feels confident that he has the personnel to run this offense. Colgate, with Jack Nichols back, will also be in contention.

The Griffins from Canisius undertake an ambitious 25-game schedule, but with Captain Hank Nowak, Dave Markey and Joe Leone back they should successfully defend their Upstate New York Little Three title and return to the tournament wars. They dropped a 60-58 decision to Temple for the Eastern crown last year.

The Yankee Conference title again should fall to Hugh Greer's Connecticut Huskies, bidding for their ninth crown in 10 years. Massachusetts, led by captain Jack Foley, finished second last year after upsetting the Huskies, 87-85, but were hard hit by graduation, and appears slated to skid to fifth. Vermont, with captain "Skippy" Burkhardt and Bill Mann aided by promising sophomores, is the likely runner-up.

Rhode Island, with co-captains Bill VonWeyhe and Ronnie Marozzi, both National foul shooting champions last year, will lack reserve material, but the one-two scoring punch should keep the Rams in contention. Maine, with experience, a returning serviceman and a pair of promising sophomores, ranks as the dark horse.

JIM FRANCIS, 6-foot-8 pivot, is part of formidable Dartmouth scoring punch with 435 to credit.



TOM BOOTH, Big Green guard, paced defense which led Ivies and was ranked 19th nationally.

RON JUDSON, All-Ivy forward, scored 420 and heads vet crew in Dartmouth bid to keep title.

Outstanding candidates for All-Yankee Conference honors are: Connecticut, Fran Quinn, Bob Osborn, Al Cooper, Billy Schmidt and Wayne Davis; Rhode Island, Bill VonWeyhe and Ronnie Marozzi; Vermont, Art Burkhardt, Bob Kuchar and Will Mann; Massachusetts, Jack Foley, Joe Koczela and Ned Larkin; Maine, Dudley Coyne and Keith Mahaney; and New Hampshire, Dave Lloyd.

In the Little Three, Amherst, Williams and Wesleyan, who finished in that order last year, are expected to repeat the formation. The Lord Jeffs have height and as usual Coach Rick Wilson will stress defense. They were the top defensive team among the nation's small colleges last year.

After three straight years of retaining the Maine Intercollegiate Conference title, Colby was hard hit by graduation and Bates and Maine are top contenders for the crown. "Doc" Jacobs and his Purple Knights from St. Michael's should repeat as kingpins of the spirited Green Mountain Conference in Vermont.

Major coaching changes in the area saw Howard Hobson resign and youthful Joe Vancisin step into the job at Yale and Ray Stanley's assistant, Jack McCloskey, take over the reins at Penn. Mal Elken left Buffalo for private business and one of Buffalo's all-time greats, Len Serfustini, joined the staff; Tony Lupien left Middlebury for Dartmouth as an assistant coach; Bob Kerr resigned at New Hampshire; and Joe Cheney resigned at Stonehill.

Before Christmas, the Boston Garden will hold a round-robin among Syracuse, Holy Cross, North Carolina and Dartmouth. Xavier of Ohio will attempt to defend its title in the third annual Queen City Tournament at Buffalo against Canisius, Cornell and Minnesota. At Amherst, Mass., the University of Massachusetts will host seven other New England teams in the fourth annual New England Tournament.

IVY LEAGUE

DARTMOUTH—Coach Alvin F. "Doggie" Julian, after five seasons of up-again, down-again basketball, guided Dartmouth to its first Ivy League crown since 1946 and third place in the NCAA Eastern Playoffs. They equalled or surpassed every individual and team record in the Big Green book, except the career scoring mark of 1,347 held by Ed Leede. "Doggie" starts his 20th year coaching this season, his seventh at Dartmouth.

He will have 10 lettermen, including his starting lineup, eight seniors, and two outstanding sophomores—Mickey Cohen, frosh captain, and six-foot-seven Rudy LaRusso. Returning to Hanover for their senior year are the two top scorers, captain Ron Judson (6-4) and Jim Francis (6-8). They waged a neck and neck scoring race, with Judson having the season's edge, 388 to 377. Some fancy shooting by Francis, including 25 points against powerful West Virginia in the first round of NCAA play, gave the pivot man the final edge, 435 to 420. Both marks passed Leede's high season of 415 points. Judson was named to the All-Ivy League first team and Francis the second five.

Thomas Booth is the top man in the defense department, usually drawing the opponent's top scorer. He will work with senior Larry Blades at guard. Last year, the Big Green ranked 19th nationally in defense and led the Ivy League in both offense and defense, 75.0 and 66.5 points per game respectively. Rounding out the returning starting five is six-foot-two, junior Dave Carruthers, who averaged 10.4 points, 12.6 in league play.

Judson will receive serious consideration for All-America honors because of his scoring ability and team leadership.

December 15 at Payne Whitney Gym in New Haven, Conn., should prove to be one of the outstanding basketball dates in the Ivy League. On that night, Dartmouth will invade Yale for a game that could decide the championship. The return date in Hanover is Feb. 27.

YALE—Joe Vancisin, who picked up the reins at Yale left by Howard Hobson, has walked into perhaps one of the most outstanding court fives in Bulldog basketball history—thanks to the return of All-America candidate, junior Johnny Lee. The outlook is for a better record than last year's 15 and 11 because of Lee's sensational scoring ability;

the return of six-four Lanny Baird, who sat out most of last year with a bad leg; and the varsity debut of six-five Larry Downs, up from the Frosh.

Yale appears to have top-rate first string material, but might be hampered by a lack of adequate reserves and possible system changes under a new coach.

Lee, an All-Ivy League performer as a sophomore, is a strong candidate for All-America honors. He won the Ivy scoring title, finished 22nd in the nation, and his 605 points for the season surpassed Tony Lavelli's sophomore record of 419. In the League he finished with a 24.1 average. Also in the Ivy loop, Lee was tied for sixth in rebounds, finished fourth in foul shooting percentage and scored over one-third of Yale's points. He was the highest scoring sophomore in the nation.

Returning for starting action, coach Vancisin will have senior captain Ed Robinson and junior Tom Sargent. Robinson (6-3) finished third in Eli scoring; Sargent, a backcourt specialist, averaged just short of six points. Baird, a forward-center who was averaging 12.4 points, reports his leg has completely healed. Sophomore Downs averaged 27 points a game with the Frosh.

Other sophomores who should help the Bulldogs are Bill Bodman (6-2) and Tom Molumphy (5-11), who averaged 14.6 and 11.9 points respectively.

Yale opens a 25-game schedule against Amherst, Dec. 1, and will have five contests under its belt before facing Dartmouth.

COLUMBIA—With Chet "The Jet" Forte back in good graces and Ted Dwyer around for his senior year, plus the appearance of three promising sophomores, the Lions can be rated the dark horse of the Ivy League.

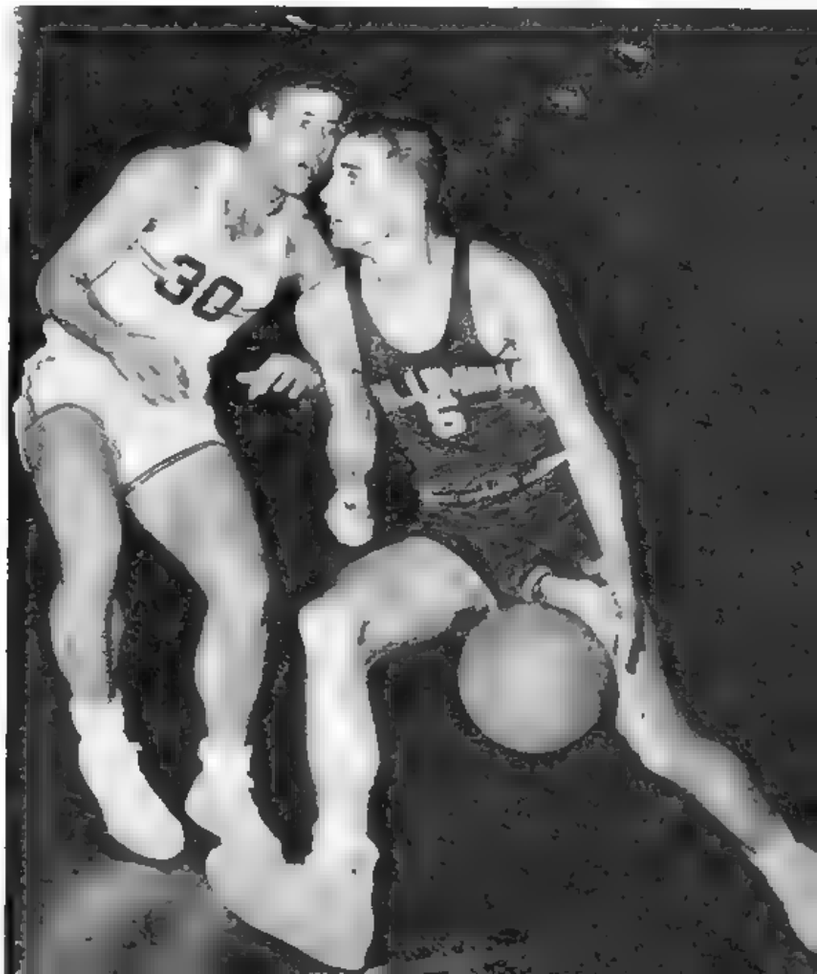
Captain Forte is one of the most amazing players in the strong Ivy League. Despite his small stature, five-nine, he smashed virtually every Columbia scoring record as a sophomore when he made All-Ivy and All-Met. and led the league in scoring. The little sparkplug was well on his way

CHET "THE JET" FORTE, All-Ivy backcourt ace and top scorer, chats with Lion coach Lou Rossini.

ED ROBINSON, Yale captain, is capable operator on the front line.

JOHN LEE, whose 605 as soph led Ivy League, is big gun in Eli attack.

TED DWYER, Columbia guard, cuts in to set up scoring play in Ivy League battle with Princeton.



to another banner season last year—358 points in 16 games—when he was placed on scholastic probation. He is one of the leading contenders in the East for All-America honors.

Heading the group of returning lettermen, besides "The Jet," is six-one guard Dwyer, who is a steady player and good scorer. Dwyer is a strong defensive performer and playmaker and with Forte gives Columbia a strong backcourt combination. Also returning to the starting five are center Rudy Milkey (6-5) and forward Bob Lehner (6-2).

Phil Matthews (6-4) leads the sophomores delegation of Ted Harvin (6-4), and Harold Kaplan (5-10).

The lone problem facing Coach Lou Rossini appears to be the overall lack of height. Milkey is the tallest Lion at six-five.

PRINCETON—Franklin C. "Cappy" Cappon, dean of Ivy League basketball coaches, entered his 19th season at Princeton with prospects for one of the brightest campaigns in several years. "Cappy" has five returning lettermen, including the four top scorers, and three excellent prospects from an undefeated freshman team.

Captain Don Davidson, second high scorer with 300 points in 23 games, sank 78 of 99 fouls for a sharpshooting .788 percentage and connected on 111 of 287 field goal attempts for .386.

Other returning regulars include senior Ken MacKenzie, who averaged 13 points a game, and two juniors, five-ten playmaker Fred Perkins and center Dave Fulcomer (6-6), who averaged 16.9 rebounds per game and was high scorer with 348 points.

JOE TEBO, 5-10 guard, set season scoring mark of 541 as soph at Brown.

IRV ROBERSON, 6-1 Cornell pivot, ranks at top in Ivy rebounding.

DON DAVIDSON, Tiger captain, clicked with 78 of 99 tries on foul line.

DAVE FULCOMER was high man at 348 and also top Princeton rebounder.

Top sophomore prospects include the Belz twins. Carl (6-5) led the Frosh in rebounds and scoring, while Herman (6-3) ranked second in scoring. Bob Bowen (6-1) had a remarkable 61 per cent shooting mark from the floor. Carl Belz is expected to make the starting team.

CORNELL—Irvin Roberson, rated one of the best pivot men in the Ivy League, and sophomore Louis Jordan, all-time freshman scoring leader, carry the brunt of Cornell's hopes. Coach Royner C. Greene, starting his 11th season, has lost four of his five offensive weapons, and will rely heavily on sophomores.

Roberson specializes in rebounding and possesses a deadly shot under the boards. In the forecourt, the six-one junior should be joined by Charles Robinson (6-4), junior, and Frank Mead (6-6), sophomore. Mead had a 13.6 average with the "Frosh," Jordan averaged 26.2 points a game. Other outstanding sophomores are Robert Bantz and Robert Ranger. Don't be surprised if Coach Greene employs four sophomores and Roberson as his starting unit.

Besides Roberson, the returning lettermen are juniors Larry Pearson (6-4) and Robinson, and senior Phil Monroe (6-3).

HARVARD—Relying on spirit, all-around balance, experience, and two promising sophomores Har-

BOB BARNETT, senior guard, is one of five top scorers back at Harvard.

BOB HASTINGS, 6-1 guard, averaged 10.8 for Harvard team last season.

vard will have a better hoop combination than when they wound up with a three and 11 record in the Ivy League last year.

Five leading scorers, headed by captain Robert Canty, will return, but coach Floyd Wilson will be short changed in the height department. That is, unless sophomore Griffin McClellan (6-8) comes through. The five leading scorers are Canty, who averaged 13.5 points a game; Richard Hurley, 11.2; Robert Hastings, 10.8; Philip Haughey, 9.4; and Robert Barnett, 5.1. The other returning lettermen are Lewis Lowenfels, Anthony Massari and Alvin Lubetkin.

Bryant Danner (6-5) and McClellan are two sophomores expected to break into the starting unit before the season is too old.

BROWN—"We're still a year away because we are very short on experience," is the way coach Stan Ward sums up the Brown's chances. But with high scoring junior Joe Tebo, second to Yale's Lee in the League scoring race, back for another campaign, and the addition of four, six-foot sophomores, the Bruins can cause trouble.

Tebo (5-10) had a sensational season as a sophomore, winning All-Ivy and All-New England recognition. Based on his performance last year, "Little Joe" has to be ranked the greatest offensive player in Brown basketball history. He scored 541 points for a 21.6 average and had 329 points in the Ivy League. He has an excellent outside set shot and has good control of a jump shot at the end of a drive through the keyhole.

Returning lettermen besides Tebo are: captain John Lyden, Bill Wadsworth, Jerry Alaimo, and Maxwell McCreery. Heading the sophomore delegation which will give Brown height is Al Poulson (6-7), who should break into the starting five. Other sophomore prospects are Norm Bogar (6-1), John Bennett (6-4), Ron Harrison (6-4) and Bill Suter (5-10).

The Bruins are definitely on the upswing in Ivy athletics.

PENNSYLVANIA—Jack McCloskey took over the coaching duties following the resignation of Ray Stanley and the former assistant coach will have his hands full keeping Penn out of the Ivy cellar

Junior Dick Csencsitz, who had a great year as a sophomore, is the only consistent scorer in the Penn offense, but will be on his own. A year ago opponents kept a watchful defensive eye on Joe Sturgis, and Csencsitz managed to average 14.7 points a game. He hit double figures in 22 of their last 24 games with his one hand push shot. He was named to the All-Ivy second team and the All-Philadelphia first squad Paired with him at forward will be senior Lou Bayne (6-2).

Penn will be bolstered by the return of serviceman Bill Kearns and two transfers, Gordon Achilles of Florida and Dave Briggs of Lafayette, all good enough to make the starting unit. Coach McCloskey will also have three promising sophs—Joe Bowman (6-4), Al Schwait (6-4) and Paul Kelso (5-9). They averaged double figures with the Frosh—Kelso, 15.5; Bowman, 13.1; and Schwait, 13.

DICK CSENCSITZ had 367 points as soph and will head Penn defense.

LOU BAYNE, Quaker senior, will hold down other Penn forward post.

JACK NICHOLS, Colgate's all-time high scorer at 589, drives through Penn State defense for score.

TOP SCORERS back to boost Syracuse bid for high rank in East are (l to r): Jim Brown, Jim Snyder, Gary Clark and Vin Cohen, top man with 401 points.

INDEPENDENTS

SYRACUSE—The Orange is expected to catapult into one of the leading independent fives in the area under the coaching reins of Marc Guley. The team should be sharper than a year ago when they amassed a record of 14 victories and 8 defeats. Coach Guley has six returning lettermen, including the four top scorers. Added to the fact that Syracuse will be an experienced ball club, they will have the services of six-foot-seven sophomore Jon Cinceboy, who netted 255 points as a freshman.

The fast-breaking Orange will be led by Vin Cohen, who scored 401 points last year. He was followed in the scoring column by Jim Snyder, 326 points; Gary Clark, 308; Jim Brown, 249; Gillespie, 241; Larry Loudis, 96; and Vince Albanese, 67. Guley used seven regulars last year and six of them will be on deck when the Orange opens the 1956-57 campaign against Canisius.

HOLY CROSS—The prospects are not as bright as recent years when for three straight seasons an All-America was returning. But coach Roy Leenig's Crusaders, with enough returning experienced performers like captain George Waddleton, Joe Hughes, Pete Houston, Tom Ryan, Dick Lutz and Art Andreoli, will again be in contention as the top team in New England.

JOE HUGHES, Crusader forward, rates as one of top all-around performers developed in New England.

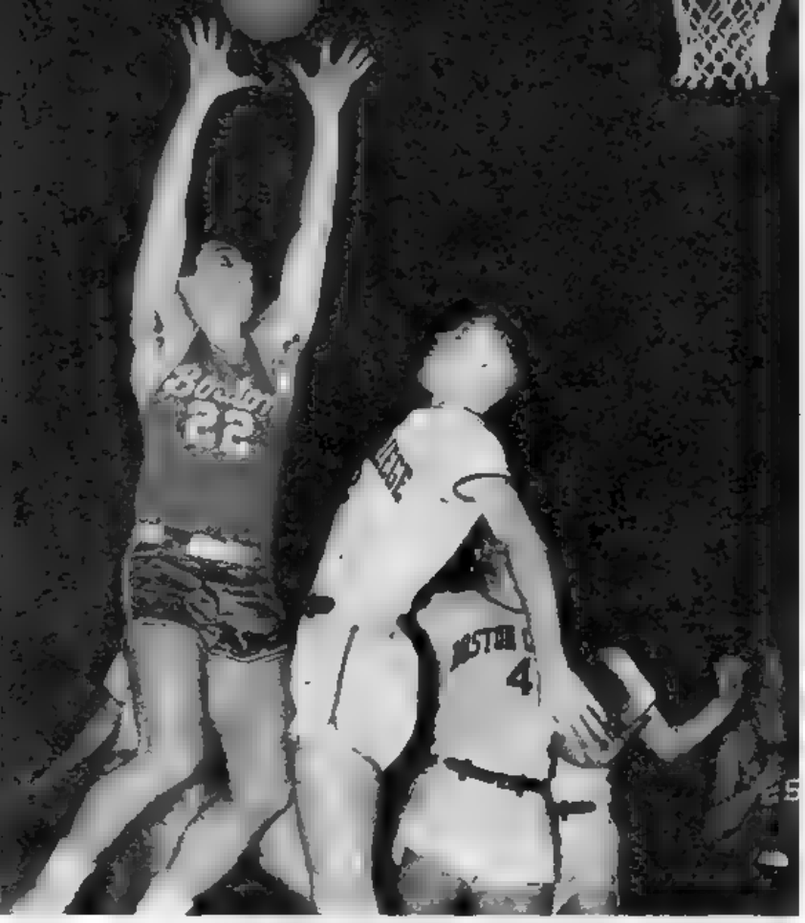
Leenig does not have a returning 20-point scorer, but Waddleton and Hughes should take up the scoring slack. Waddleton (5-10½) who ranked third in Crusader scoring with a 12.7 average, is a spectacular guard. He is also a good ball-handler, and possesses an uncanny one-hand jump shot. Hughes (6-3) is rated one of the better players ever developed in New England. He is from Central Falls, R.I., where he was All-State. Hughes averaged 8.7, shoots with either hand and is one of the best defensive men on the roster.

Sophomores Whelan (6-2) and Liptak (6-1) could break into the starting line up. Both averaged better than 17 points with the Crusader Cubs. Whelan, a standout half-miler in high school, should fit into Leenig's plans at forward along with Hughes. Liptak, a guard, could also win a starting assignment because of his shooting ability. Pete Houston (6-6), a junior, seems to have the inside track as starting pivot.

Leenig has the necessary speed on his bench to employ his fast-breaking type offense. Front line reserves will be the veteran Dick Lutz, sophomore Denny Noschese, (6-4), juniors Ed Cuffe (6-3) and John O'Connor (6-0), and sophomores Bill Maloney (6-2) and Jim Farrell (6-4).

COLGATE—Jack Nichols, a rugged, high-scoring senior, captain Bob Giordano and Russ Brummer will have to carry the burden of the Colgate attack as Coach Howard Hartmann starts his eighth year. Nichols, one of the most outstanding players in the East, holds the all-time Colgate season scoring record of 589, which he set last year. He was top man in rebounding also with 422. The all-star selection in the Carousel Classic is very aggressive and possesses a fine assortment of shots. As Nichols goes this year—so will go Colgate.

Besides Nichols, coach Hartmann has two senior and three junior lettermen. The other seniors are Giordano and Bill Allen. The juniors are Phil Bisselle, Brummer and Don Burke. This quintet,



CHARLES FIORINO, Boston U co-captain, and star playmaker, jumps to score against Boston College.

as individuals, averaged over five points a game. Allen was injured much of last year, but, barring injuries, has definite potential as a shooter and rebounder. Hartman will rely on non-lettermen as front line reserves

BOSTON COLLEGE—Despite the fact that Dino Martin lost five veterans through graduation, the Eagles are expected to have one of their finest teams in many years—IF—the sophomores come through. Paul McAdams, six-foot-two captain, is the only senior and might have his hands full making the starting team. The other returning veterans are: high scorer Jack Harrington, George Bigelow, Fred Bortulussi and Paul Lyons, all juniors.

The Frosh five last year, headed by George Giersch (6-4), Joe Manning (6-5) and Jack McGrath (6-5), lost only one game—a three-pointer to Connecticut. Giersch is the fellow to keep your eyes on. He has natural basketball ability.

BOSTON U.—Kevin Thomas is no longer at Boston U., but Terrier coach Matt Zunic isn't shedding any tears over the loss of his six-foot-eight leading scorer. Instead he is predicting B. U. will again be the team to beat in the mythical Greater Boston Intercollegiate Conference. The Terriers went undefeated in eight games last year on their way to the crown.

Without Thomas, Zunic will be able to turn on the speed—and they'll have plenty to spare. The Terriers will be one of the tallest teams in the G.B.I. loop. Returning serviceman Jack Cumings, a sure bet for the starting five, stands six-foot-six to team up with co-captain Tom Kelly (6-5) and Dick Armstrong (6-4) in the forecourt.

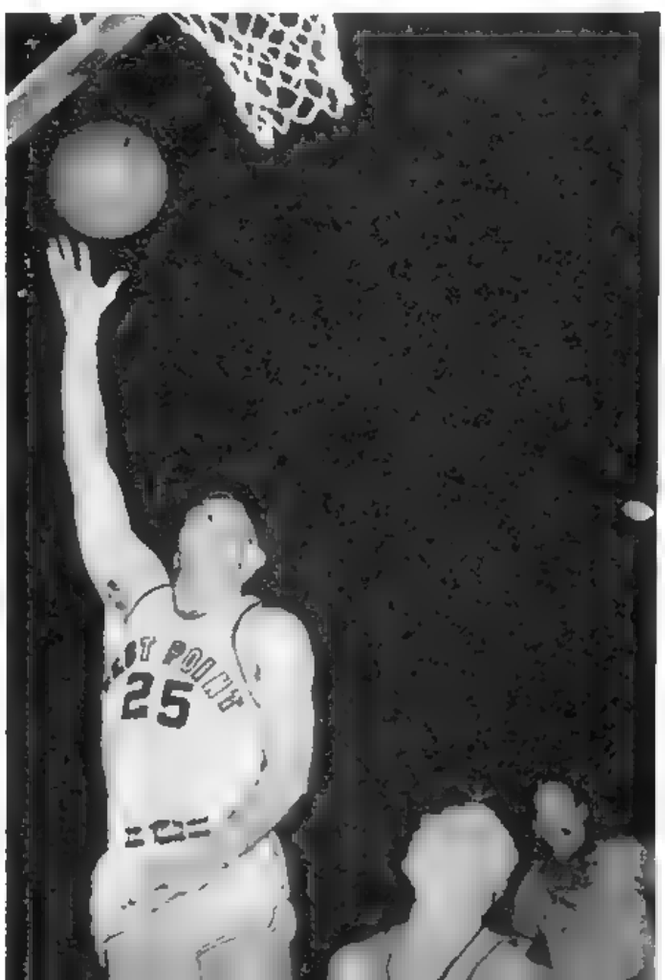
For a big man Armstrong is a better-than-average ball handler and dribbler. A converted guard, he ranked second to Thomas in scoring last year with an 11.5 average and third in rebounds. Little Jack Leaman (5-8) might look like the midget in Zunic's attack, but he is one of the most promising sophomore candidates. Co-captain Charley Fiorino, who is also football captain, is the Terrier playmaker. Teaming in the backcourt with Nate Koppel, Fiorino gives Zunic the necessary outside scoring punch with his set shot.

Boston U., which compiled the best record in the school's history last year, 17 and 6, is coming into its own very much like Holy Cross did in 1947.

ARMY—Graduation took the services of Mark Binstein, the leading scorer, and Norris Harbold from the starting five along with front line reserves, but coach Orvis Sigler expects to counter with four returning lettermen and two highly rated sophomores.

Captain Bob McCoy (5-11), Gene Fisher (6-1), Don DeJardin (6-2) and Bill Melnik (6-4) give the Cadets the necessary experience to form a strong nucleus for one of their strongest schedules in years. Bill Huckabee returns from the injured list to add his six-foot-four frame under the boards. The outstanding sophomore material consists of Dick Peffenbach and Charles Darby, both

BOB McCOY, Cadet captain, is part of 4-man vet nucleus at Army. Here he goes up to score on Navy.



of whom could break into the starting lineup.

According to Coach Sigler, DeJardin should come into his own as a Junior. He has a good jump shot and can drive very well. McCoy is the team's sparkplug and "take-charge" man while Fisher leads the team in rebounding. He can jump with men four and five inches taller.

ST. MICHAEL'S—The Purple Knights, champions of the Vermont Green Mountain Conference and rated No. 1 small college team in New England last year, are favored to maintain their high rating. Coach George "Doc" Jacobs has seven returning lettermen, including the five top scorers, and three highly-rated sophomores.

Bill Kuchar and Tom Lemanowicz, who averaged 19 and 15.5 points respectively, will lead the attack along with captain Bernie Ceplicki, 11.2; John Wegrzynski, 11.4; Drew Denmead, 11.6; Frank McCaffery, 4.5; and Joe Spycharlsky, 3.4. Outstanding sophomores are Dave Marcek (6-5), Ralph Turi (6-2) and Tony Nicodemo (5-9). Kuchar and Lemanowicz fit perfectly into Coach Jacobs' single and double post offense.

AMERICAN INT.—The Yellow Jackets, coached by Bill Callahan, should return to the New England NAIA tournament for the third straight year. The defending champions have their three top scorers returning. "Jumping Johnny" Jones (6-1) is one of the best rebounders in New England and has averaged better than 15 points a game for three years with his specialty—a tap-in. High-scorer Dick Kross brings a 23-point average back to the Aces' offense.

Sophomore Brian Connery (5-11) stands an excellent chance of making the starting five. He teamed with John Koljian, now a regular with the defending national championship San Francisco five, to bring the Massachusetts schoolboy title to Cathedral High two years ago.

In two years at A.I.C., coach Callahan has compiled a record of 33 victories and 12 defeats; 18 and 7 last season.

Besides Connery, the starting five should have Kross, Jones, Lou Plante and John Nehmer.

ST. ANSELM'S—Nine lettermen, four of whom were starters, return to give St. Anselm's coach Al Grenert another powerful combination. Heading the group are co-captains Frank O'Donnell, who averaged 15 points, and Al Collamore (6-5), who netted 13 points a game. Dick Broderick, who tied O'Donnell as the top scorer with a 15 point average, will add his backcourt experience to the club, plus his outstanding outside shooting ability. Other veterans are: Tim Martin, Bob Barrett, Dick Carson, Dick Bailey, Charley McGrath and Gus Erhardt. Six-foot-five Bud Matthews will be back from the service and is expected to make a strong bid for a starting berth.

Grenert believes that with the experienced performers, height, scoring ability and a fair defense, the Hawks' prospects are again on the bright side.

SIENA—A pair of transfers, Frank Singsheim from Villanova and Frank Scuderi from West Virginia, won't become eligible until mid-season, but when they join Siena the charges of coach Dan Cunha will return to the prominence they once enjoyed—that of upsetting stronger teams.

Featuring an offense built around speed and hustle, Coach Cunha lost his two leading scorers, but captain-elect Frank Connelly and John Obermayer should pick up the scoring slack. Don Wilson and Lauren Spinelli are also returning veterans. Drawing heaviest praise on the campus is Frank Weaver (5-11), who shattered the Siena freshman scoring record. Hitting on 35 and 34 points in two successive outings, Weaver wound up with 335 points and a 19.7 game average.

BUFFALO—Chuck Daniels, a little guy with a basketball heart, is the leading returning letterman and newly appointed coach Len Serfustini welcomed his five-foot-nine scorer with open arms. Prospects for the coming campaign are considered fair with sophomore talent rated the best in several years. As Frosh they compiled an amazing record of 18 victories in 21 games and the three defeats were by a total of seven points.

Three sophomores, who look like sure starters, are Howard Lewis and Marvin Herb, forwards; and Joe Tontillo in the backcourt. However, Serfustini will not have a big man as Cholewinski is the tallest of the starters at six-three. Daniels has good defensive reactions, very fast, and possesses an accurate outside set shot. His taller teammate, who is also the team's top rebounder, has a deadly one-hand set shot from the corners.

TRINITY—Ray Oosting, dean of college basketball coaches in the Northeast, will start his 31st season at the helm of Trinity College on Dec. 1 when the Hilltoppers meet M.I.T. The veteran mentor is not looking forward to a sensational season as three sophomores, Ed Anderson (6-5), Jim Canivan (5-11) and Jay Dwyer (5-10) will make up three-fifths of the starting five that will have high scoring veterans Jack McGowan (5-11) and captain Nicholas Vincent (6-4) at the other posts.

Five six-footers will serve as bench strength. They are: veterans Sam Niness (6-4), Dick Solomon (6-1), and Bob Godfrey (6-8); and Art Polstein (6-1) and Jerry Olsen (6-4). McGowan, a junior, is one of the outstanding little men in New England small college circles. As a sophomore he averaged 20 points with his jump shot.

BRANDEIS—Jim Houston, a six-foot-five, four-year veteran who averaged 20 points, has departed but coach Harry Stein predicts Rudy Finderson will make up for Houston's graduation. Finderson and Martin Aranow, both juniors, as well as six sophomore lettermen "should give us a lift," coach Stein declares.

Finderson, a talented performer who can pop with either hand, netted 20.2 points a game and was effective inside. Aranow was the playmaker

CHUCK DANIELS, 5-9 Buffalo guard, boasts fine outside shot and 46.1% mark on field goal tries.

BOB OSBORN (left), Connecticut sparkplug, jumps against Temple's Guy Rodgers in East NCAA playoff.

for Judges, but averaged 11.3 points a game. Mickey Kirsch, Jim Goldman and Herb LeBlanc are the other starters.

YANKEE CONFERENCE

CONNECTICUT—Hugh Greer, who has one of the most outstanding basketball coaching records in New England—10 years; 188 victories and 56 defeats—has the necessary material to win his ninth Yankee Conference title in 10 years. Despite graduation losses the veteran coach will have adequate height for the first time—IF three sophomores come through as anticipated.

Headed by Fran "Red" Quinn, the returning veterans are Paul Kaspar, Bob Osborn, Don Burns, Jim O'Connor, Bob Cherepy, Steve Narracci, Dick Kierman and Bill O'Leary. Quinn is an excellent playmaker, a good driver, has a good set shot and is the best defensive man on the team. Osborn (5-11), the team's sparkplug, was selected to the All-Conference second five.

The UConns hope to return to the N.C.A.A. Tournament on the strength of their sophomore prospects. Al Cooper is the tallest at six-seven, followed by Billy Schmidt (6-6), Wayne Davis (6-5) and Larry Doyle (6-2). Cooper, Davis and Schmidt could very easily break into the starting unit.

Connecticut is famed for its fast break and full court press and, according to coach Greer, the sophomores will fit into the patterns.

VERMONT—Coach John C. "Fuzzy" Evans has four sophomores who could break into the starting lineup to team with high-scoring captain Art "Skippy" Burkhardt. The Vermont sophomore delegation of Bob Kuchar, Charlie Isles, Clyde Lord, Bob Gallagher, and Arnold Branch, all averaged double figures for the Frosh.

The Catamounts should improve their fourth place standing in the Yankee Conference and finish second to Connecticut. In their mythical Green Mountain Conference the Cats will again follow St. Michael's.

Captain Burkhardt heads eight returning lettermen—Wilbur Mann, Dick Dennis, Jack Lafave, Ron Bouchard, Steve Ifshin, Bill Treene and Joe Lovell. Burkhardt, who averaged 15.5 points, should pace the scoring parade.

RHODE ISLAND—Co-captains Bill VonWeyhe, one of the smoothest players in New England, and Ronnie Marozzi, will provide a one-two punch for the University of Rhode Island quintet. Coach Jack Guy has been plagued by a lack of reserve strength recently and this year the plague is even greater. Other returning lettermen are Steve Madreperla, Frank Mormando, Jim Adams, Dennis Haworth, Pete Kohlsaat and Brad Southworth. The Frosh failed to produce a victory in 15 starts last year.

VonWeyhe and Marozzi came in for their share of national attention last year from the charity line. VonWeyhe, holder of the University's scoring record for a single season with 592 points, was the national foul shooting champion, with 180 free throws in 208 attempts. Marozzi, who scored 503 points, set a national charity record with 35 straight. Both won All-Yankee Conference honors.

MAINE—Sophomore Dudley Coyne, who broke into the starting lineup at mid-season last year, is

BILL VON WEYHE, RI's national foul shooting king with 180 in 208, grabs rebound in St. Joseph's tilt.

due to team up with returning Army veteran Keith Mahaney, who won All-Yankee Conference honors two years ago, and a pair of promising sophomores, Dave Deshon and Ralph York. Indications are that Coach Harold Woodbury will start an all-veteran team. Besides Coyne, Maine will use Dick Libby, Thurlow Cooper, and co-captains Pete Kosty and Bobby Jones. Mahaney, Deshon and York will be first line reserves.

Coyne finished his sophomore year with an 18-point average and was the only sophomore selected to the All-Yankee Conference's top ten players. Coyne has a wide variety of shots and fits into coach Woodbury's weaving offense. The five starters averaged double figures, with Coyne followed by Kosty, 13.2; Libby, 10.6; and Cooper, 10.3.

MASSACHUSETTS—Coach Bob Curran has only one starter from his 1955-56 team, which won 17 and lost six, returning. He is high scorer Jack Foley, senior captain who is rated one of the best basketeers in the six state conference. The jump shot specialist netted 393 points last year and 118 in the conference. If he continues his scoring pace, Foley will become the first UMass player to score 1,000 points

Graduation took four starters but coach Curran hopes to compensate for his losses with seniors John Edgar and Mel Foster and two of the tallest players ever to wear a Redman uniform. Norm Porter stands six-eight and Joe Koczela, six-six. Heading the sophomores is Ned Larkin, a typical Redman—short and fast. He scored 310 points for the Frosh. Two transfers—Bucky Adamczyk from Brown and Dick McGrath from Leominster Jr. College—are seasoned players.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Ernie Olsen takes over coaching duties at New Hampshire, succeeding Bob Kerr who resigned after a 2-15 season The not so wild Wildcats possess height and experience, but sadly lack the all important scoring punch. Fran McLaughlin, a 20-point getter, has departed. The seven returning veterans, all of whom are over six feet tall, did not average double figures last year. New Hampshire expects little help from sophomores. Returning for another campaign are seniors Dave Lloyd, Fred Armstrong and John Sasner; juniors, Dick Ericson, Charley Swanson, John Ferguson and Hugh Marshall.

JACK FOLEY, Mass. captain, bids to be first at school to net 1,000.

HANK NOWAK, Canisius captain, tallied 467 for 18.6 average last season.

LITTLE THREE

AMHERST—The Lord Jeffs appear to have the inside track towards successfully defending their Little Three championship. Coach Rick Wilson has seven returning lettermen, headed by co-captains Dick Anderson and Phil Hastings, and one outstanding sophomore, Dick Schwemm, who was high scorer with the Frosh

Using a three-man backcourt press, the Lord Jeffs ranked first among the nation's small colleges in team defense last year, holding their 24 opponents to an average of 58 points a game.

High scorer was sophomore Bill Warren, who wound up with a 17.4 average. He is the tallest returning regular at six-five. He'll receive scoring assistance from Anderson and Pete Jenkins. The defensive standouts are Hastings and Lewis Knight.

WILLIAMS—Prospects are far from optimistic as graduation took the scoring punch. Two years ago coach Al Shaw steered his Royal Purple quintet to 17 straight victories for an undefeated season. Only three players who saw service with a team that was classed as the best ever at Williams, return. They are John Lewis, Bill Evans and George Sykes.

Senior Walt Shipley, six-foot-eight, is the only big man for defensive strength under the boards. Rounding out the experienced returning personnel are Marv Weinstein and Charlie Schweighauser.

WESLEYAN — Additional experience and three sophomores who could win starting positions means that Wesleyan will have a much improved court combination. Co-captains R. F. Cassie and Jay Cobbledick head a group of six returning lettermen. The others are: R. H Goldman, L. C. Hoyer, J. S. Watson and R. H. Wuertner. Sophomores who might make the starting five are W. E. Fillback, P. O. Lund and R. M. Wenner. Three other promising sophomores, D. F. Darling, G. H. Hanford and J. S. Mallory, will see plenty of action as reserves.

WESTERN NEW YORK LITTLE THREE

CANISIUS—Captain Hank Nowak, Dave Markey and Joe Leone, three seniors return to Canisius and coach Joe Curran has strong hopes that this trio will put the Griffins back in the NCAA tournament and successfully defend their Upstate New York Little Three title.

In racking up their best season since undertaking a major schedule, 19 and 7, coach Curran was

proud of Nowak, Markey and Leone. Nowak, a six-three forward, was named to the All-Buffalo area team for his second straight year; won a berth on the United Press All-East second team, and was selected on the NCAA regional first team. He is a strong rebounder and will deserve All-America consideration. Leone (6-5) averaged just short of 10 points a game last year and Markey (5-10) caged 251, for a 9.6 average.

Sophomore Jim Springer (6-1) fits into Curran's plans and should be in the starting lineup with Nowak, Leone, Markey and senior Jim McCarthy.

NIAGARA—John J. Gallagher, starting his 23rd season as Niagara basketball coach, will floor a team that should surpass last year's 20 and 7 record and bid to play in the National Invitation Tournament. Alex "Boo" Ellis, one of the nation's leading rebounders last season, and a pair of backcourt specialists, Jim Maloney and Tom Mulroy, all three of whom are juniors, form the nucleus for one of the strongest teams in Niagara's history. Only two returning lettermen are seniors.

Ellis (6-5), who averaged 15 points a game and pulled in 338 rebounds last year, is being touted as one of the leading players in the East. Ellis possesses a deadly eye with a wide assortment of jump shots. Maloney and Mulroy had a spectacular season in the backcourt as sophomores and they form a good defensive combination.

Coach Gallagher, who has a 22-year record of 351 and 171, is counting heavily on sophomores Tom Truesdale and Richard Veith and transfer Bob Tighe.

ST. BONAVENTURE—Last year's two leading scorers return but the Bonnies need rebounding strength. Brendan McCann, whom coach Ed Donovan will build his offense around, and Ernie Rokose (5-11) led St. Bonaventure in scoring last year with 376 and 294 points, respectively. The third starting position should be filled by Larry Weise, a six-foot junior backcourt performer.

McCann (6-2) shoots well from either inside or outside and is an excellent playmaker. His true value doesn't show up in the statistics for he usually draws the top opposing player. He is especially adept at breaking up a fast break. Gerry Olshefski, six-five senior, is expected to break into the starting five because of his height. Jack Connors, a six-six junior, could also battle for a regular berth.

However, all eyes will be focused on four sophomores—Don Newhook (6-1), Lee Fitzpatrick (6-1), Ken Fairfield (6-4) and Mike Schrauth (6-4)—as coach Donovan searches for rebounders.

MAINE CONFERENCE

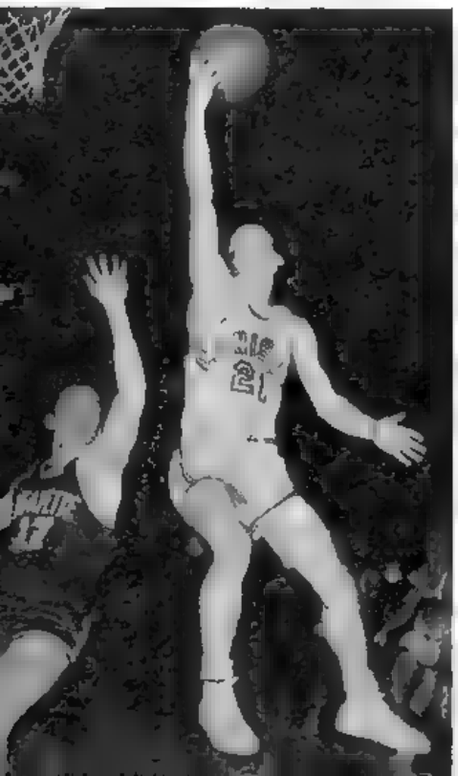
BATES—Junior John Manteiga stands an excellent chance of finishing his collegiate career as the highest scorer in the history of Bates, which finished runner-up in the strong and close Maine Intercollegiate Conference last year. A veteran team will give Colby a serious run for the title this season.

But, as Manteiga goes—so goes Bates. The six-four, 185-pound center has netted 701 points in two years. Playing varsity ball as a freshman, he poured in 301 points in 19 games and last year he netted an even 400 Manteiga is also an outstanding defensive player.

COLBY—Coach Lee Williams, who will have four returning lettermen, faces a rebuilding problem The sextet graduated never lost a Maine championship in their three varsity years.

Only captain Charlie Twigg remains along with three members of an undefeated Frosh team of two years ago. Twigg is a two-year veteran with good speed and a consistent scoring eye, as well as a rugged rebounder. Dick Campbell, the tallest man on the team at six-five, plays both inside and outside. John Edes and Larry Cudmore were other members of the undefeated Frosh.

The most promising sophomores are Lloyd Cohen, for whom coach Williams predicts a great career, Joe Grimm, Paul Neri and Al Rogan, all over six feet. Cohen is a backcourt performer, a good ball handler and playmaker.



DAVE MARKEY leaps to snare rebound from Jim Brett, Lafayette, for Owls.

BRENDAN McCANN, top St. Bonaventure scorer, is keystone of attack.

JOHN MANTEIGA, who averaged 21 per game to rank with best in N.E., battles N'east'n foe for ball.

GUY RODGERS, Temple's brilliant playmaker, lands on back of Tom Heinsohn of Holy Cross after missing layup in Eastern NCAA regional won by Owls. Fred Cohen (10) snares rebound for Temple in Garden tilt.

JOHN SAUER, Duquesne, gets stiff left from UCLA's Willie Naulls, now with pros, in trying for ball.

BILL CHRYSTAL, 6-5 St. John's letterman, tries to block NYU's Tom DeLuca (center) from snaring ball.

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East (Lower)

PERENNIAL POWERS OUTSIDERS AS TEMPLE BIDS TO HEAD NEW REGIME

PREDICTIONS

1. Temple
2. Villanova
3. Seton Hall
4. St. Joseph's (Pa.)
5. St. John's
6. St. Francis (NY)
7. Georgetown
8. Fordham
9. LaSalle
10. Manhattan
11. Muhlenberg
12. Wagner
13. Lafayette
14. Duquesne
15. St. Francis (Pa.)
16. N. Y. U.
17. Navy
18. Penn State
19. Bucknell
20. Gettysburg
21. C. C. N. Y.
22. Scranton
23. Franklin & Marshall
24. Delaware
25. Rutgers
26. Hofstra
27. Lehigh

PUT the names of about half a dozen teams in a hat, draw them out one by one and you have a good chance of predicting the way things will wind up during what promises to be a hectic and interesting season.

In the past, it was safe to say that either Ken Loeffler's strong and colorful LaSalle squad or Dudey Moore's well-coached, fundamentally-sound Duquesne team would lead the pack. But those days have passed away. Instead of one or two powerhouses, there is a group of teams so evenly matched that anyone could forge to the top, and the old standbys—LaSalle and Duquesne—rate as only outside contenders.

Two comparative strangers to the upper echelon look to be the best representatives of the area. Temple and St. Joseph's, always considered tough opposition but seldom rated near the top, moved to the front last year, finishing third in the National Collegiate tourney and the National Invitation Tournament respectively.

With a pair of hot-shot guards in Hal Lear and Guy Rodgers, Temple earned its way into the NCAA tourney, won a thriller over Holy Cross in an Eastern playoff at Madison Square Garden, got by Connecticut and Canisius in the Regionals at the Palestra in Philadelphia, and went to the championship rounds in Evanston, Ill. In two games there, they split, extending Iowa before bowing in the semi-finals, and beating Southern Methodist for third-place honors. While so doing, Lear proved to be a record-breaking scorer and Rodgers showed almost-phenomenal ability in playmaking.

Lear has been graduated, but Rodgers is back with a group of holdovers and their presence makes Harry Litwack's squad a top-rated contender again.

Pressing Temple, which may become a victim of over-confidence, will be two other Quaker City teams—St. Joseph's and Villanova—and a pair from the New York Metropolitan district—Seton Hall and St. John's.

St. Joseph's, Seton Hall and St. John's have enough veteran material to make them strong, while the Redmen and Villanova boast some of the best looking sophs in the nation. Added to St. John's assets is the return of Joe Lapchick as coach, replacing "Dusty" DeStefano.

Right behind the top five will be such "perennials" as Georgetown, Manhattan, Fordham, Muhlenberg, St. Francis of Brooklyn and Lafayette. LaSalle and Duquesne are always threats, mainly because of their reputations and the fact that both are under capable coaches—the Dukes under Moore and LaSalle under former pro ace Jim Pollard.

Small-colleges, which have been causing much more trouble recently for the so-called "majors," will have their representation among the upper ratings in schools such as Wagner and several others which also must be considered.

TEMPLE—Hal Lear, a six-footer who parlayed an uncanny jump shot and sizzling drive-in ability to erase Clyde Lovellette's scoring records in NCAA tournament competition with 160 points in five games, is gone. However, Harry Litwack, the Owls' cigar-smoking, unemotional coach, has enough returning material for a strong starting five but will be weak in reserves.

Lear's backcourt buddy, Guy Rodgers, captivated fans as much with his floor play as did Lear with his scoring. North Carolina coach Frank McGuire said Rodgers—a 5-11 southpaw—made plays that he hadn't seen in ten years. Whether Rodgers will be able to operate as freely and successfully without his sidekick remains to be seen.

Along with All-America candidate Rodgers, Litwack can start 6-8 Tink Van Patton, who has to have a proverbial fire lit under him to bring out his best; 6-6 Dan Fleming; a 6-3 rebounding genius in Jay Norman, and 6-1 Barry Goldstein. All five are juniors.

From an ordinary freshman squad, Litwack can count on 5-8 Joey Goldenberg for backcourt help. His big men will have to go most of the way for little aid is in sight.

The Owls' success depends on Rodgers' ability to carry most of the offensive load and just how much Van Patton can develop. But one thing is certain—if there's an All-America among Philadelphia's talented hands, Rodgers is it.

VILLANOVA—The Wildcats from Philadelphia's Main Line were in and out last year. "That was because we didn't have the subs who could push our starters," coach Al Severance points out. "This year we have more strength in numbers."

Severance certainly does have extra material. His freshman squad of 1955-56, directed by Phillies' coach "Maje" McDonnell, produced three men who could push last year's holdovers right out of jobs and another who can give able assistance to the squad's big men.

Back for a half-season of eligibility is Jimmy Smith, a 6-1 firebrand who keeps things moving. Others who saw service and must be counted as starting possibilities are Jack Weissman, 6-2; Jim Fahey, a 6-6 strong boy; Tom Brennan, 6-7 center; Jack Kelly, 6-3; Tink Van Patton, 6-8; Don Flemming, Jay Norman and Barry Goldstein.

Among the moving-up men from the freshman squad is Joe Ryan, considered the successor to Tom Gola as "Mr. Basketball."

Ryan, 6-2, leaves little doubt that he is headed for stardom and should move right into a spot in the first five. Other sophs who bear a lot of watching are Kenny Harrison, 6-2 rebounder; Pat Carey, 6-2 backcourt man with much potential, and 6-6 footballer Gene Opella, a muscular type who can handle the pivot.

If the urge to pick a dark-horse for national ranking arises put your tag on the Wildcats.

GUY RODGERS, 5-11 Temple southpaw, is key man in Owls' drive to head area's basketball parade.

SETON HALL—Dick Gaines, the Pirates' energetic All-America candidate, drew most of the headlines last year as the Pirates won their way into the N.I.T. for the fifth time in six years. But there were several unsung heroes on the squad, especially 6-5 Richie Long and 6-1 Ed Petrie, and both are finished school.

Along with 20-point average man Gaines, coach "Honey" Russell will start veterans Marty Farrell, 6-7, and Charley Lorenzo, 6-2. Completing the first five are Tom Cross, a 6-9 transfer, and 6-2 Jack Keller. Ed Chesney, also 6-9, showed enough to warrant a long look as a replacement for Cross or Farrell.

"Several freshmen, especially a boy named Richie Buckelew, may help us," Russell said. Buckelew scored 448 freshman points and rates a varsity shot on that performance.

Gaines and Cross appear to be the keys. Gaines has to carry on as the big scorer, while Cross must rebound efficiently enough with Farrell and be able to defend against big, fast men. If Cross comes through, he and Farrell will provide a tough front court combination that no doubt would land Seton Hall in a tournament, as usual.

ST. JOSEPH'S—The Hawks won the Philadelphia city title last year as coach Jack Ramsay, a steady player at St. Joseph's under Billy Ferguson in the late 40s, turned in a 21-5 season and third place in the NIT. However, Ramsay must replace 6-6 Billy Lynch, the school's third leading all-time scorer and its top rebounder; Mike Fallon, a spirited and dependable backcourter, and Jimmy Purcell, a handy reserve.

One sophomore appears capable of becoming a starter—6-1 guard Joe Spratt. In pre-season workouts, Ramsay used 6-5 Kurt Engelbert, who will give Temple's Rodgers a run for "most valuable player in Philadelphia" honors; Ray Radziszewski, 6-5 senior; Al Juliana, unpredictable but hot-shooting southpaw at 6-3, and Dan Dougherty, aggressive six-footer. If Spratt is found lacking, holdovers John Savage, 6-1, and Joe Ceremsak, 5-10, will take cracks at guard.

If Ramsay's first season of coaching was any indication, the Hawks should maintain their new, lofty position.

TINK VAN PATTON, 6-8 Junior, teams with Dan Fleming and Jay Norman for Temple's backboard strength.

BARRY GOLDSTEIN, 6-1, has chance at spot left open by Temple's Hal Lear.

JACK WEISSMAN, 6-2 scoring mainstay for Villanova, casts wary eye on LaSalle defenders as he circles with ball in attempt to set up score.

ST. JOHN'S—It will seem like old times, with Joe Lapchick on the Redmen bench as boss. Back from his harrowing experience as pro coach, Lapchick has a lot of holdover material, plus the hope that several sophs are going to be a big help.

"I saw St. John's several times last year," Lapchick said, "and the main thing I noticed was that they were slow and out of condition. I'll see what we can do about speeding up the action and getting them in shape."

Dick Duckett, a disappointment to Lapchick in the few times Joe saw him, should regain his pre-Army polish. Duckett, 6-0 senior, and 6-2 Hal Pascal will be the backcourt nucleus, with the big-man posts falling to 6-5 Bill Chrystal and 6-7 Mike Parenti. Lapchick might have had these two in mind when he spoke of "slowness" on the squad.

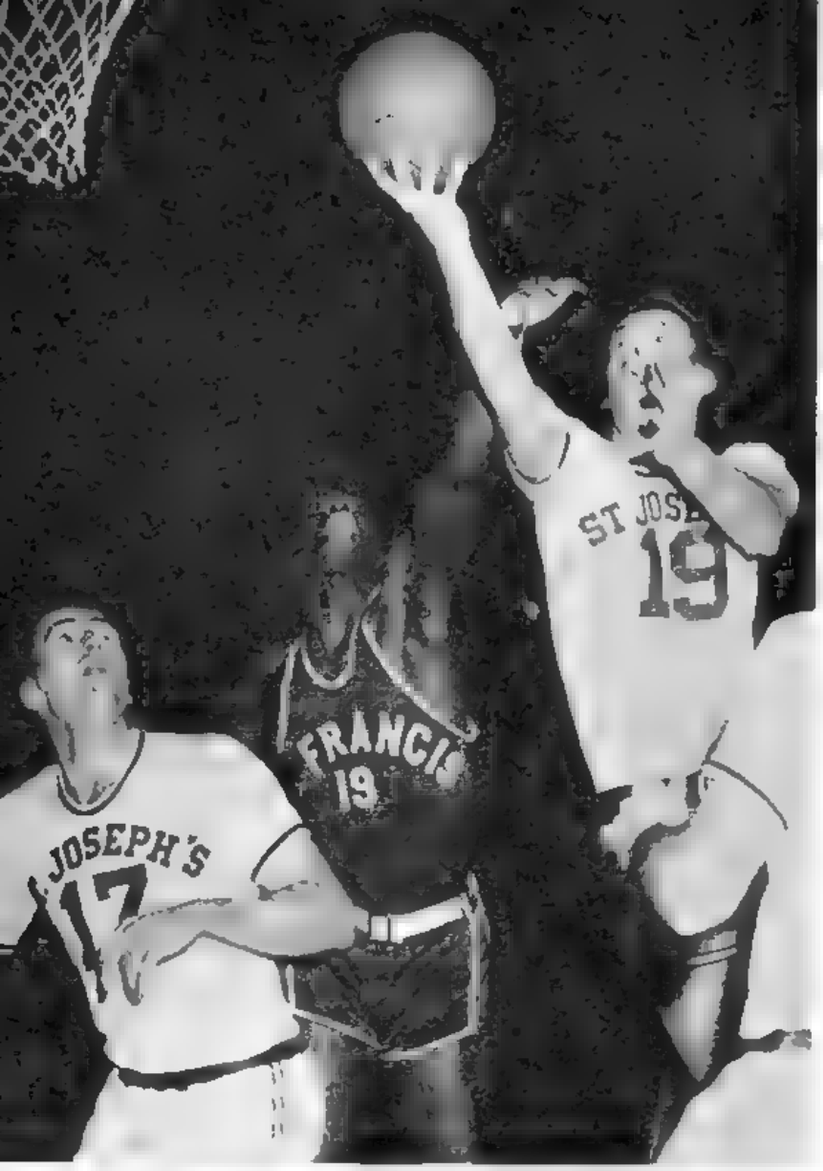
One of Lapchick's theories is to have a sophomore in the starting lineup and he has three very good ones from whom to choose—6-5 Bernie Pascal, Hal's brother; Gus Alfieri, a 6-2 lad with loads of equipment; and 5-10 Alan Seiden, a cinch to see lots of action, as either understudy to Duckett and Hal Pascal or as a starter. Add to them such hold overs as Bill Cowley, Ken LaMotte, Joe Montana and a few others, and you have the makings of a strong quintet.

ST. FRANCIS (N. Y.)—The Terriers had a surprising season in 1955-56 when they went 18 games before losing to St. Joseph's and wound up with a 21-4 mark.

Danny Lynch has four fellows who helped the squad to a 2-1 NIT record around as a cushion for

DICK GAINES, top Seton Hall scorer, goes for 2 points on layup.

TOM CROSS, 6-9 soph, is counted on for skill as Seton Hall rebounder.



KURT ENGELBERT, strong threat for Philly MVP honors, goes up for 2-pointer against St. Francis.

the coming campaign. Al Inniss, 6-7 rebounder who earned All-Metropolitan honors as a sophomore, and captain-elect Walt Adamushko, a 6-6 strong boy, lead the up-front brigade. Tony D'Elia, a 5-9 two-handed jump shot artist, and Les Yellin, a good 5-10 setter, will start with the two big men. Bidding for the fifth spot will be Jack Prenderville, a holdover, and two sophomores, Billy Allen and George Link.

Prenderville, a 6-4 junior, was a disappointment last year, but Lynch feels certain he has the know-how to fit into the first five.

Those seven give Lynch as solid a nucleus as any Eastern club. It's doubtful they'll go as far as they did last year—into mid-February—before incurring a loss, but the Terriers have tasted success and they liked it. So count them in on the tournament list.

GEORGETOWN—Buddy Jeannette has quit as coach, in favor of Tom Nolan, from Gonzaga High in Washington, D.C. Coming from the home of the Hoyas, Nolan had an idea of what awaited him at the start of practice—a good starting five, plus a freshman or two worthy of consideration.

The Hoyas could rise above the seventh spot we've reserved for them, and if they do, it will be because their big man, Joe Missett, blossoms into full-fledged stardom. Missett, 6-7, has developed fine all-around ability, picked up a lot of poise in two years on the varsity and appears set for recognition as one of the best in the East—and maybe the nation.

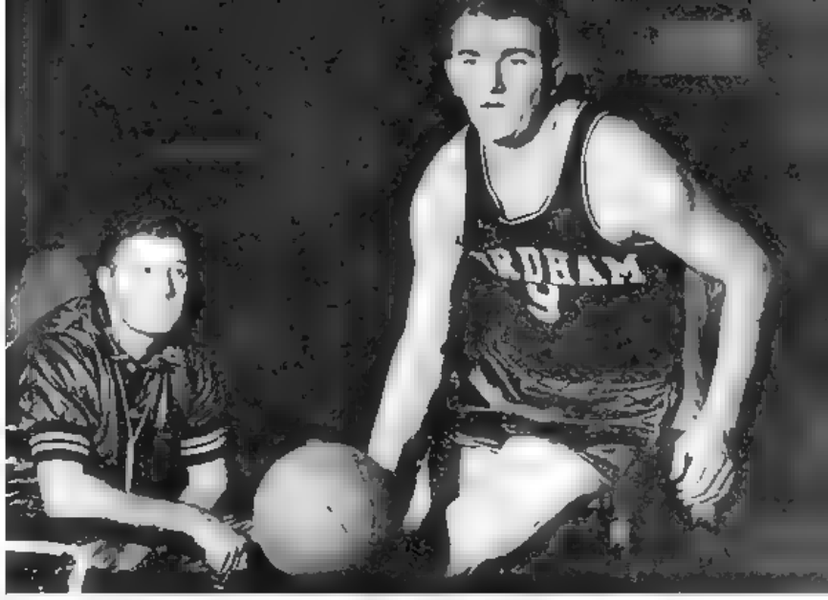
BILL COWLEY of St. John's (rear) leaps in to battle West Virginia's Hot Rod Hundley for ball.

DICK DUCKETT gives St. John's experienced hand for backcourt duty.

BUD PASCAL is type soph Joe Lapchick likes as starter for Redmen.

KEN PICHETTE, 6-4 forward, resumes role of sparkplug for Hoya team.

JOE MISSETT is ready to hit peak as 6-7 pivot for Georgetown quintet.



JIM CUNNINGHAM, 6-3 Fordham scoring phenom with 478 points as soph, gets some pointers on ball handling from Ram cage coach Johnny Bach.

BILL McCADNEY, 6-7 Fordham center, tallied 10 per game last season.

Also Warren Buehler, who scored 906 points in two previous varsity years before dropping out of school, was expected back. Nolan was waiting to make sure the 6-4 scoring ace was in form.

With Missett, Nolan can field an all-experienced first five. At 6-4 for forwards, there are Bill Smith and Ken Pichette, while 6-2 Matty White and 6-0 Dick Percadani will be in the backcourt. Jackie Nies, a 6-2, soph, might push one of the little men for a job. Max Schmeling is 6-9 but needs worlds of playing time to spruce up his play. He'll get some of it this year as a sub for Missett.

Pichette, incidentally, presents an interesting story. He contracted polio in the Summer of 1955, came back for the second half of the 1955-56 season and perked up the team in the stretch run.

FORDHAM—Relying a lot on sophomores—maybe too much—Johnny Bach got off to a bad start a season ago, losing nine of the first 11. Then, in a whirlwind finish, the Rams improved to an 11-14 mark. While such late activity might foretell good things, there is one blow which Bach may not be able to overcome.

One of his starters, Bernie Haynes, 6-4, has dropped out of school. Two freshmen—both Haynes' size—will battle junior Fred Wagner—also 6-4—for Haynes' spot. The other four posts seem to be in capable hands. Jim Cunningham, 6-3, set a record for Fordham sophomores with 478 points. Cunningham and 6-7 Bill McCadney, a 10-point per game scorer, look to be the standouts.

Ron Kuehn, 6-3, and Ed Bugniazet, 6-0, will be the small men. The frosh who might take over for Haynes are John Brady and Ed DeGroat.

The Rams might have earned a higher pre-season rating but Haynes' departure forces this observer to drop them to eighth.

LASALLE—The Explorers, 15-10 last year in Jim Pollard's rookie year as Ken Loeffler's replacement, have lost the players, who as sophs in 1954, helped Tom Gola bring a National title to the Philadelphians' campus.

Looking at his returnees, Pollard found seven men of fair talents, good size, good potential but the lack of a take-charge man

Leading scorer Alonzo Lewis, 6-3, is back for

AL LEWIS, LaSalle's leading scorer, returns for third season to pace Explorers' cage offensive.

ANGELO LOMBARDO (23), who ranked fourth in nation last year on successful field goal attempts with over 53 per cent, goes to aid of Manhattan teammate Gerry Paulson (left) in chase of loose ball in clash with G.W.

a third season and should boost his 13.0 scoring average. Wally Fredricks, 6-6 senior, hasn't acquired the polish he should have, since injuries hampered him last season. Juniors available are 6-4 Charley Eltringham, 6-1 Tom Garberina, 6-2 Bill McGonigal and 6-7 Ed Givnish, none of whom distinguished himself in brief appearances.

But the Explorer hopes ride with Bill Katheder, a 6-5 Service returnee. Katheder was on the N.I.T. championship team in Gola's freshman season—1952. He stayed out of competition last term to straighten out past scholastic difficulties and now looks ready to emerge as a star. He's not overly strong, but can rebound, has a fine jump shot and is remarkably accurate with a two-handed set. He starred as a member of a strong AAU outfit—Gardner Motors—which won the Philadelphia district title. His boosters think he is All-America caliber.

MANHATTAN—Guardedly optimistic is the best way to describe the feelings of coach Kenny Norton. "We have our whole squad back," he pointed out, "and they were good enough to get us into the NCAA tournament. That means we're okay in experience and ability, but, as usual, we could use some height."

Besides his veterans, Norton expects to use two sophomores—Mickey Burkoski, 6-3, who can rebound and is a good jump shot, and Dan McGorty, a backcourt man with a good set and fine ball-handling know-how.

The Jaspers' best last year was 6-4 Angelo Lombardo, who finished fourth in the nation in field goal percentage, making over 53 per cent of his tries. Bob Josephs, 6-4, came along later to help Lombardo on the boards.

These two, plus dependable Gerry Paulson, Jack Powers and John O'Connor, form the starting five. Bob Murphy, 6-3, affords adequate up-front protection.

Manhattan is going to be tough for anybody, and doubly so when Norton's gang doesn't have to yield much height.

MUHLENBERG—For the third straight year, Birney Crum will have a host of capable players but virtually an all-junior squad last year was able to come out only 14-11. Crum says part of the reason for that was that he had put a lot of reliance on Ed Emery, a Villanova transfer, who broke an ankle early and now has dropped from school.

A starting five lists 6-2 Bob Gall, 6-2 Clint Jeffries, 6-0 Cardy Gemma, 6-4 Bill Smith and 6-6 Dennis Roth. All but Smith had better than 10-point-per-game averages, with Jeffries' 16.1 and Gall's 15.4 leading. Jeffries, one of the few sophs Crum used last campaign, and Gall are also the better all-around men in the group.

Subs, which Crum uses more frequently than most coaches, will come from 6-5 Don Kurz, 6-1 Dick McLaughlin, 6-3 Del Park, 6-4 Dick Leber, 6-4 Charley Handwerk and 6-3 Jerry Diem. The freshman team was successful but the top prospect, 6-5 Buddy Houck, from Philadelphia, has left school. Remaining are 6-5 Mel Kessler and 5-11 Steve Matell, both from New York. Both were

20-point frosh and might see quite a bit of action.

WAGNER—It's no secret that disappointment reigned on Staten Island when the Seahawks and their 20-3 record were passed up in tournament selections. As a mild consolation, this year will see Herb Sutter's club in Madison Square Garden for the first time where they will meet Manhattan, one of their victims last season.

With only captain Ed Peterson, a 6-2 playmaker and steady Eddie of the backcourt, having left, the Hawks should maintain a spot like last season—if not better. Peterson was third leading scorer on the squad with a 16.4 mark. Tops in that department was and probably will be Charles (Lonny) West, 6-5 jump and hook shooter, who tallied 24 a game and averaged 15 rebounds. Runner-up scorer was 6-3 Bob Mahala, who returns with a 17.5 average, and fourth tops, 5-10 Tom Drake.

Paul Bailey, 6-4½ transfer from Michigan State and a rugged rebounder, seems set for a starting role, with Wilfred Fierce, 6-0, moving up from the freshmen to make a bid for the fifth post. Dick Simler, a 5-9 holdover, will be a much-used relief man, as will be 6-5 George Blomquist.

LAFAYETTE—After some early-season difficulties, the Leopards went on to a NIT berth for the second straight year, this time in the freshman coaching season of George Davidson. The youthful Davidson will face a task in grouping some capable holdovers into a starting five until some good sophs develop.

Returning is the team's top scorer and rebounder, 6-5 Jim Radcliffe. Stu Murray, an excellent 6-0 shooter from the outside, captain-elect Tony Mack, 5-10; 6-8 junior Bob Mantz, and 6-4 Gordon Galtere are others. Senior Dave Jones, 6-2, who can play either front or backcourt; 5-10 Jim Brett, 6-4 Ron Gustafson, 6-2 Alan Karetsky and 6-0 Jim Murphy, also are on hand. Sophs to look for are 6-0 Richie Kohler, 6-3 Joe Sterlein and 6-5 Ernie Franks.

"We'll be much better defensively and if Murray's shooting continues to improve, we'll be okay offensively," Davidson avers.

DUQUESNE—The Dukes lost Si Green. That's the best summation of the forthcoming Duquesne season. The versatile and unanimous All-America did just about everything for Dudey Moore's club, including getting them into the N.I.T. and engineering a masterful victory over Oklahoma A. & M., before losing to eventual titlist Louisville.

Who will replace Green? Nobody, of course, but somebody will have to fill his spot in the lineup, as will someone have to move in for steady Mickey Winograd in the backcourt. From the team that was 16-9, Moore can look to 6-2ers Dave Ricketts and George Henry, and 6-3 John Sauer.

No help in the frontcourt will come from the frosh, which means Sauer and Henry must take care of the rebound work. Sophomores Bill Ryan and Bernie Mathews are good little men. Bob DePalma, a seldom-used 6-6 center a year ago, may see a little more action.

"We're just about the same size as last year," Moore reported, "but we don't have a 6-3 man like Green to do rebounding and scoring."

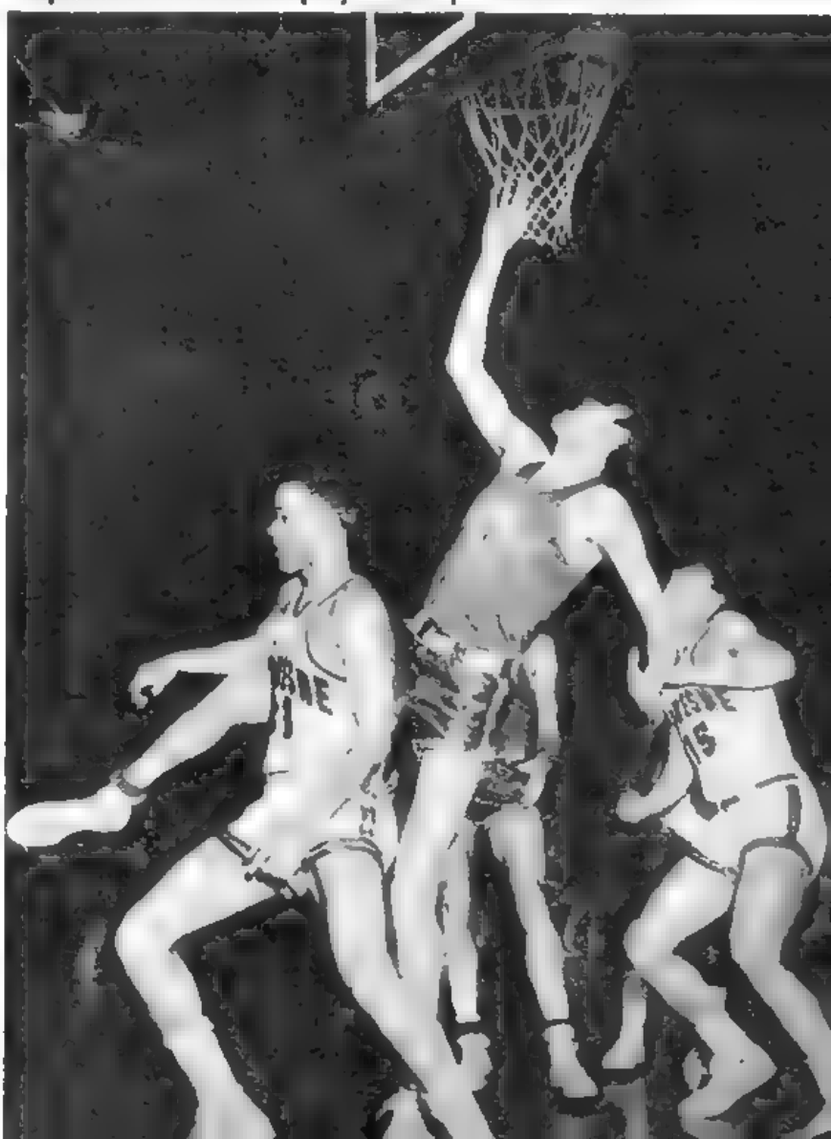
It will take all Dudey's shrewdness to bring the Dukes in over .500, a mark under which Moore has never fallen in 22 years of coaching.

ST. FRANCIS (Pa.)—If there is to be a surprise to emerge from the bottom half of the top 20, the team from the "college among the pines" in Loretto, Pa., may be it. A year of adjusting without Maurice Stokes has been spent, with a 10-14 record. Dr. "Skip" Hughes, frankly optimistic, thinks the current gang has the potential to equal or surpass the marks set by the team on which Stokes starred.

Hughes says 6-2 captain Frank Puschauver, is All-American timber. With Puschauver from last year are 6-6 Jim McClellan; 6-6 soph Don Falenswi, who, eligible as a freshman, started occasionally in 1955-56; 6-4 senior forward Bob Watro and 6-1 soph Jack O'Malley. A 6-5 transfer from Ohio U., Rip Nixon, appears able to become a starter.

Off last season, 15th is where we put the

DAVE RICKETTS (31) can't halt Louisville score as Duquesne's John Sauer (15) awaits possible rebound.



Frankies, but don't say we didn't tell you if they happen to wind up a lot higher.

NEW YORK U.—Taller, faster and better on the boards—that's a quick pre-campaign size-up at N.Y.U., where the basketball fortunes recently have not been up to par. Howie Cann, on hand for his 34th year, has some size in his probable starting array and the big men appear capable.

First problem is to replace a pair of steady two-year 6-3 performers, Ed Kramer and Irv Lowenthal.

The main addition appears to be 6-5 Cal Ramsey, whose backboard strength might go a long way toward bettering an 11-8 mark. An All-City schoolboy selection in New York two years ago, Ramsey has the capabilities of becoming top-flight.

Tommy DeLuca, 5-11, led the 1955-56 performers with an 18.1 average, reaching his peak with 39 points against Furman's uncanny Darrell Floyd. DeLuca and 5-11 Jim Nidds will be the small men, while 6-3 Art Tierney and 6-5 Bob Brown will be up front with Ramsey. Johnny Bucek, 5-11, will spell DeLuca and Nidds, with 6-6 Leroy Halpern giving the big ones a rest.

Because of Ramsey's inexperience, the Violets may be hot and cold, but they shouldn't wither as they have in the recent past.

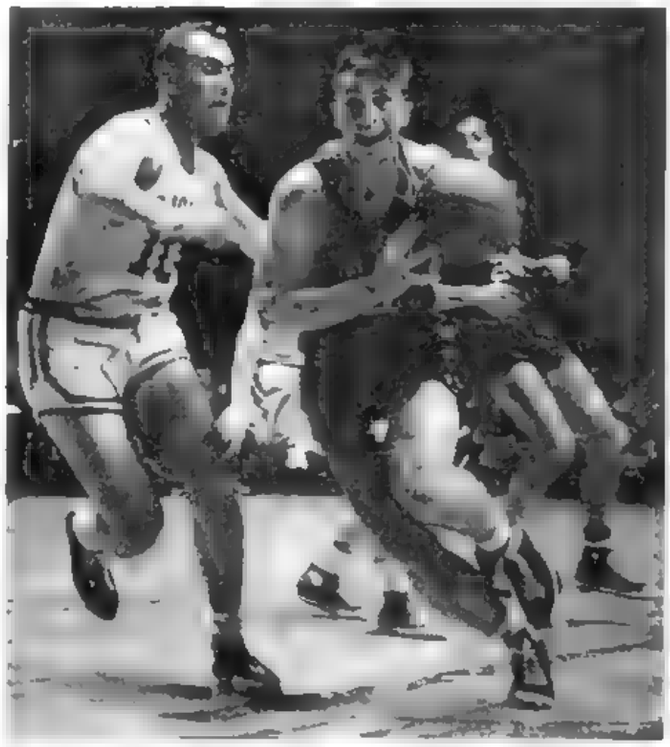
NAVY—"If we can rebound, we can win." That's the theme of a lot of coaches, and Navy's Ben Carnevale goes along with them. Ben feels he has everything else—scoring power in 6-2 Frank Petinos, leadership and ball-handling in 6-0 Dave Smalley and 5-7 Andy Dulik, and experience with these three and 6-4 George Bouvet and 6-1 Al Swanson. Petinos, after a year of varsity play, should better his 19.9 mark.

A sixth holdover letterman, 5-10 Joe Sendek, and three moved-up plebes will provide reserve power.

Best looking plebe prospects are 6-4 John Mascali, 6-2 Dick Johnson and 5-10 Ronnie Doyle. Only senior on the 10-9 squad of a year ago is Ben Thompson.

PENN STATE—Since John Egli will rely on sophomores for some important roles, it's hard to foretell the fate of the Nittany Lions. Their record last year was 12-14.

The three players who battled for the scoring title last year are all gone. In Egli's rebuilding procedure, top man should be 6-2 Steve Baidy, All-Pennsylvania from Williamsport three years back. Two tall seniors, 6-7 Bob Ramsay and 6-5



JIMMY NIDDS, Violets' 5-11 playmaker, drives through St. John's defense on scoring sortie. Nidds garnered 224 points for a 13.2 per game average for coach Howard Cann's New York U five as they won 11 of their 19 contests last season.

TOM DeLUCA breaks through St. John's defense to take pass from teammate on scoring play. Tom was high scorer for Violets last season with 344 points which made him the 8th player in N.Y.U. basketball history to go over 300 in one campaign.

Norman Hall, lend height to the starting five. Ron Rainey, 6-2, and Bob Leisher, 6-0, are backcourt vets.

From a good freshman team, 6-6 Carmen Palmiero and 6-4 Greg Schwendeman are the best prospects. With extra size always welcome, these two may either work into the starting team or be called upon as heavy-duty subs.

BUCKNELL—It's been a long time—10 years, in fact—since Bucknell posted a winning record, but this might be the time for a resurgence. "This year," said coach Ben Kribb, "we have a big man who will take care of us in that department."

Hal Danzig, a 6-6 sophomore, is the reason for Kribb's optimism, since his job as a frosh star on a 13-4 squad showed he is capable of doing a good job in better competition. Other starters should be 6-3 Skip Wieder, 6-1 Norm Voorhees and a pair of 6-0 seniors, Marty Tannenbaum and Joe Bacelli. Tannenbaum, good set and fine driver, led with a 14.4 average a season back.

More reason for Kribb's hopefulness is his bench which includes 6-7 Jim Beidleman, 6-6 Bob Ericson and two boys at 6-4, Al Kenzie and John Beatty. Backcourt aid appears in the form of John Strizzi, Mike Corrigan and Bob Salankiewicz.

GETTYSBURG—In Bob Davies' return to college coaching ranks, Gettysburg wound up 11-11, pretty good considering he wasn't blessed with outstanding workers. However, graduation treated him kindly, taking only Dick Hockenbury, his captain and best rebounder, and Joe Bierly, with a 10.0 average.

Al Teti, who scored 42 points against Muhlenberg for an all-time school record and wound up with an 18.9 mark, is back, as are Bob Walsack (10.8) and Frank Capitani (10.3). Davies hopes

MARTY TANNENBAUM was tops at Bucknell with 316 bag on fine set shot.

NORM VOORHEES rates as great rebounder and driver for Bucknell five.

DAVE SMALLEY, Navy captain, is standout defensive man on court.

FRANK PETINOS broke all Middie tally marks as plebe on 26 average.

BOB RAMSAY, 6-7 senior center, demonstrates rebounding skill for Penn State against Navy.

6-8 Tim Cousins, 6-6 Del Warfel and 6-4 Frank Grzelecki ("a Paul Arizin type," according to Davies) will battle for starting roles.

CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK—Nat Holman, now on Sabbatical leave, had an abundance of youth on his CCNY squad last season, and it showed up in a 3-15 record. Dave Polansky, taking over for Holman, has a lot of that youth on hand, plus some even younger boys who may surprise their varsity superiors. One is Hector Lewis, a 6-5 speedster who rates as a bright bet in the future book. Devoid of high school polish, Lewis may be a season away, but Polansky will use him.

A starting lineup shaped up as 6-9 Syd Levy, 6-3 Bill Lewis, 6-5 Bob Silver, 5-9 Joe Benardo and 6-0 Ralph Scheffian. Hector Lewis and 6-2 Alton Waldon give the bench a certain amount of strength, along with 6-4 Joel Ascher and 5-8 Stan Friedman.

Polansky has a testing job, since CCNY no longer competes on the level of other New York schools. but still plays some of the tough ones.

RUTGERS—Warren Harris, replacing Don White as coach, faces a tough task and it's probable that he won't be in a spot to do much about it this season. Incoming talent dwindled in the recent era and it will be Harris' job to get the university basketball-minded. Five victories in the past two years are all the Scarlet could muster, and things might not be too much better this time around. However, Harris, coming from the Midwest, hopes to instill a new spirit.

Talent-wise, Aurrell (Whitey) Leaf, 6-3, who averaged 11.9 last year, and Bob Sanislow, who did well in half a season of play, are the best. One potential starter was lost when 6-1 Johnny Brugler, a two-year performer, left to play pro baseball. "Dutch" Wermuth, 6-3; Jack Eastman, 6-2, and Ralph Bayard, 6-0, will battle for varsity berths, with 6-1 Bruce Webster, a dandy ball-handler, apparently set as a backcourt starter.

SCRANTON—Ray Walsh, after one season, left as the Royals' coach to concentrate on his baseball scouting duties with the Pittsburgh Pirates. The school was late filling the post, with the situation greeting the incoming mentor one of mixed prospects.

Two starters, including high-scoring captain Jerry Curtis, who had a 17-point average, and Sal LaSpina, are gone. But there is enough returning help to make the outlook good for a season close to .500, as contrasted to last year when Scranton was nowhere near that mark.

Biggest and brighest hope for making the varsity into a contender against tough Eastern opposition was Ed Kazakavich, 6-5 sophomore. Two other sophs, 6-0 Ray Caucci, and 6-4 John Buntz, were ready to battle for starting positions. Another up from the yearling group is Bob Stiepock, 6-5, who was in need of experience.

Veterans to be counted on are Tom Hugh, 5-8,

AURRELL LEAF, 6-3 and sharp hit an 11.9 average for Rutgers last season.

RUDY KOENIG is one of two seasoned returnees for Franklin and Marshall.

BOB SANISLOW, fine in half season of play, is set for full Rutgers schedule.

JACK ZIEGLER, 6-7 Franklin and Marshall captain is other knowing vet.

and Tom Oltorick, 5-11, in the backcourt, with the following available for either the corner or pivot spots; 6-2 Bob Kearney, 6-2 Tim McGowan and 6-3 Tom Keefe, with the last named probably the best of the group.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL—A returning serviceman adds to the brightness of the F & M outlook. In this case, it's Dick Dunn, 6-4 from Stevens Point, Wis., who started four years ago. Dunn's appearance, plus a solid nucleus of holdovers from a squad that finished just under .500—at 9-10—last year, makes things look okay for the Diplomats. Jack Ziegler, 6-7, and Rudy Koenig, 6-1, are the seasoned returnees, while several who saw some action last year as sophs are handy enough to be considered starting material. These include Bobby Souders, 5-11; Bob Herring, 6-3, and Gerry Husted, 6-5. Bob Benner, 5-10, was top scorer on the yearlings squad and will see service, as will George Darrah, 5-11, another soph.

DELAWARE—The picture at Delaware looks brighter—but then it won't have to improve much to be better, since the Blue Hens were 8-15 last year. Chief hope stems from a good freshman squad in 1955-56 and the return from the Army of Ray "Skip" Crawford, who averaged 20.6 in 1952-53.

Dick McKelvey, 6-4, will be the starting center. Jim Smith, 5-11 guard with a 21.0 average, and either Bernie Snider, 6-0; 5-8 Clyde Louth, or Bob Schiliro, 5-11, will be at backcourt posts. Of the sophs, Frank Wickes, 6-4, looks most likely to break in, with several others ready for substitute roles to help the Blue Hens in their bid for Southern Division honors in the Middle Atlantic Conference, won by Drexel the past three years.

FRANK WICKES, 6-4 Delaware soph, scored 50 points in game last year.

CLYDE LOUTH, Delaware captain, is only 5-8 but tough to overcome.

JOE WALLACE, King's forward, tied individual record set at 38 points, also 84 per cent from foul line.

HOFSTRA—After riding high for three years, mainly on the superb all-around play of big Bill Thieben, the outlook is bleak indeed for the Flying Dutchmen. Thieben, record-breaking scorer and rebounder, is one of three graduated starters. Pete Salit and Bob Grummond are the others who helped post a 22-4 mark in Bill vanBredaKolff's first year.

Highlights of last season were the winning of the Hofstra Invitation, knocking off Muhlenberg for that title and an upset victory over Princeton.

VanBredaKolff will change his offense, working a five-man system instead of relying strictly on the near-the-basket efficiency of Thieben. Dennis Costigan and Dick Pidgeon, returning starters, will be the nucleus, with 6-7 Pidgeon possibly the key. Art O'Reilly, a soph, may become the scoring king.

LEHIGH—The Engineers won seven, lost 11, in a middle-class schedule. With only one tall man in the 1956-57 starting lineup, it's difficult to see the Pennsylvanians going over .500. However, that big one is 6-5 Arnis Balgavis, a sophomore with tremendous possibilities. He'll start with 6-1 juniors Dan Nolan and Tom Healy and seniors Bill Clere (6-0) and Dave Walker (5-11).

KING'S COLLEGE—The Monarchs of coach Bob McCrane lost only captain Jim Mital via graduation. Sensation of last year's team was Joe Wallace, 5-10 forward, who came off the bench at mid-season and went on to average 19 points per game.

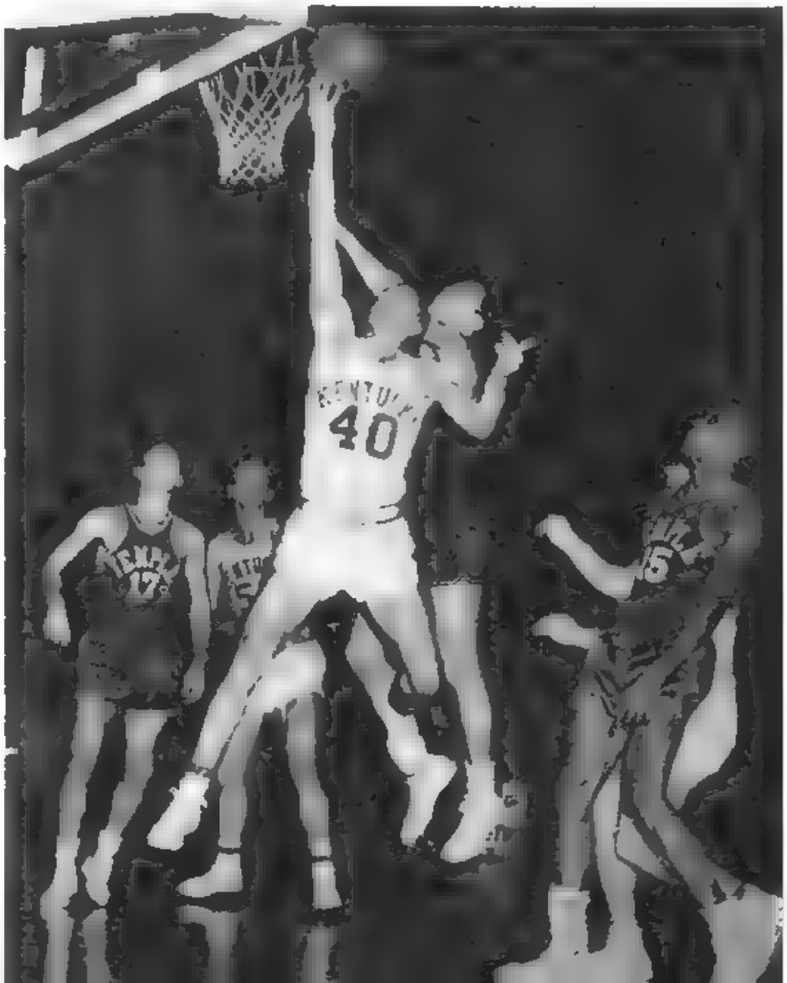
In Tom Hoban (5-8) the Monarchs have one of the fastest forwards in the East. Dick Fosko (6-1) is a steady backcourt performer. Rebounding strength should come from center Joe Simon (6-5) and Jim Davis (6-3).

Clarence "Toots" Brown, All-State guard from Delaware, is expected to make a strong bid. Other rebound possibilities are Ed Staback (6-4) and Ernie Widmann (6-3), up from the jayvees. Seasoned performers Tom McBride (6-3), Jim Gannon (6-2), Dick Miller (5-11), Bob Bachman (6-4) and Charlie Schuler (5-11) are expected to battle for positions.

CHARLIE TYRA (8), sparkplug of Louisville attack, demonstrates all-around ability that makes him sure bet for All-America honors as he blocks attempted shot by Dayton's Jim Palmer in team's 59-56 win.

AL ROCHELLE, 6-1 Vanderbilt guard, drives past defender as he turns in 31-point night against Vols.

VERNON HATTON, star Kentucky guard, executes perfect layup climaxing fast break against Temple.



By Jack Jackson

With eight years on the SEC and Deep South beat for the Atlanta Journal, Jack Jackson has expert line on cage outlook.

Deep South

LOUISVILLE SET TO RETAIN SPOT AMONG CAGE ELITE; VANDY S.E.C. PICK

PREDICTIONS

Southeastern Conference

1. Vanderbilt	7. Auburn
2. Kentucky	8. Tennessee
3. Tulane	9. Louisiana State
4. Florida	10. Alabama
5. Mississippi State	11. Mississippi
6. Georgia Tech	12. Georgia

Independents

1. Louisville	6. Georgia Teachers
2. Memphis State	7. Miss. Southern
3. Centenary	8. Florida State
4. Miami	9. Spring Hill
5. Loyola (New Orleans)	

Gulf States Conference

1. Northwestern La.	4. Southeastern La.
2. Louisiana Tech	5. Northeastern La.
3. McNeese	6. Southwestern La.

THAT long awaited balance of power in the Southeastern Conference becomes a reality as they go to the post for another run at the championship won 16 times by Kentucky since the league was born in 1933. A wholesale scramble is in the making and one coach, quite honestly, says he feels any one of the Big 12 could take it all.

At the outset, Vanderbilt and Kentucky must be placed at the head of the list of logical successors to Alabama. The latter, stripped of its five starters by graduation and beginning again under a new coach, Dr. Gene Lambert, is given little chance to repeat.

Elsewhere, the University of Louisville dominates the independent picture and could be the nation's best. The Cardinals return Charley Tyra and two more starters from last season's National Invitation champions and will do as the best around until proven wrong.

In the Gulf States Conference, which produced NAIA champ McNeese in 1956, Northwestern Louisiana and Louisiana Tech are rated top dogs with the defending titlists rebuilding.

Vanderbilt's SEC favoritism comes in spite of the fact Coach Bob Polk must call on sophomores to provide his 4-5-6-7 strength. The Commodores return Al Rochelle, Bobby Thym and Jo Gibbs from last year's third-place club and the former two will be high on any sectional all-star list.

Kentucky's Adolph Rupp graduated his three front men—Bob Burrow, Jerry Bird and Phil Grawemeyer—and even more so will lean upon untried talent. But a bad season is unknown to the man in the brown suit and no team he puts on the floor will be regarded short of contender status. Tulane and Florida appear best bets to round out the SEC's first division.

No list of All-SEC players will be compiled without serious consideration for Rochelle and Thym; Vern Hatton, Kentucky; Cal Grosscup, Tulane; Bob Emrick and Joe Hobbs, Florida; Jimmy Ashmore, Mississippi State; Joe Gibbon, Ole Miss; Bobby Kimmel, Tech; Roger Sigler, LSU, the league's best scorer last time; Bill McGriff, Auburn and Herman Thompson, Tennessee.

Among the independents, certainly Tyra, Bill Darragh and Jim Morgan, Louisville; Win Wilfong, Memphis State; Ed Morris, Miami; Pete Gaudin, Loyola of New Orleans; and Ron Viskozki, Centenary, would rank high on the individual star list. In the Gulf States, where improvement makes a genuine dogfight possible, Frank Glenn, McNeese; Dick Brown, Northwestern; Ray Germany, Louisiana Tech; and Lloyd Crocker, Northeastern, are generally hailed as top performers.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

VANDERBILT—Three remain of the five Vanderbilts who decked Kentucky once, lost the rematch, then dropped out of the 1955-56 penant race on ill-fated trips into Tuscaloosa and Auburn. Each is an individual star and for that reason, Bob Polk's Commodores stand to be pushing for the top again.

Whether or not they attain their goal hangs upon the shoulders of a healthy sophomore class that will be called on to furnish two starters and—in all probability—top reserve strength.

In guard Al Rochelle (6-1), Polk owns a slender lad worthy of consideration for anybody's All-America. He made his mark two years ago when he was named Sophomore of the Year in the league. Last season, Rochelle scored at 18.3 per game.

In forwards Bobby Thym (6-2) and Jo Gibbs (6-6), Polk has more quality experience. Thym rebounds beyond belief for a man his size and scored 16.5 per game as a junior. Gibbs, playing his first year in the league, came along well and now that he is an old hand his 210 pounds under the boards should have their rightful effect. These are the seniors, the backbone.

At center, where Charley Harrison led the club

BOB EMRICK, 6-5 Florida center, holds Gator's single season cage scoring record of 410 points.

STAN STUMPF, Tulane forward, has accurate jump shot; can rebound.

CAL GROSSCUP holds all-time Tulane scoring record of 41 in one game.

in rebounding, sophomore Don Hinton (6-5) steps to the head of the class. Opposite Rochelle at guard, another rookie, Jim Henry (6-0), is the pick. They are the men who must come through.

At least three more second classmen figure strongly. Don Bates (6-0) is a guard, while Hub Hougland (6-4) and Doug Yates (6-3) are equally at home on either half the court.

Those key sophs must compete with three letter winners, none of whom saw extensive '56 duty. Bob Gregor (6-2) earned his "V" at forward, Bill Keller (6-7), at center and Jimmy French (5-7), at guard. Bill Jennings (6-3) and Ralph Childs (5-11) are back for a second varsity season and Morton Waller (6-3) and Jim Manning (6-3) are other refugees from the frosh.

Vandy has a lack of experience, but has the quality to go.

KENTUCKY—With adequate logic to support any approach, the Kentucky story for 1957 must be dotted with the inadequate "if." On one hand, Kentucky, by February, could be good enough to take all the marbles. On the other, Kentucky could be as weak as it has been in many a season.

Gone completely is the towering Wildcat frontline of a year ago, a three-man array that averaged 6-7 in height, grabbed 48 rebounds per game and scored 1,296 points. Returning, though, are Vernon Hatton (6-3) and Gerry Calvert (5-11), who worked at guards, and 10 other letter winners. Hatton, Sophomore of the Year in the SEC, and Calvert scored well—13.3 and 11.2 respectively—but not another returnee managed as many as four points per game, so little did they work.

For the record, Ray Mills (6-4), John Brewer (6-3) and Phil Johnson (6-6) at forward; Ed Beck (6-7) at center, and Bill Cassady (6-2) at guard saw the most action. They, then, would seem to hold an edge over Bill Smith (6-5), Lincoln Collinsworth (6-3), Harold Ross (6-2) and John Crigler (6-3).

Four sophomores claim places on the roster and one of them, forward Johnny Cox (6-4) comes on with the rating of a man to watch. Chances are good he will move in at forward and prove firmly efficient. Dick Howe (6-5), Lewis McManus (6-8) and Charles Webb (6-1) are the other youngsters. Howe and McManus go immediately to war with Beck over the center job.

Rupp himself fears the worst, hopes and plans for the best. He has height and seldom enrolls a below-par basketball player. Like most of its major SEC rivals, Kentucky will suffer from relative inexperience at the outset, but with Hatton and Calvert as the gyro, this band could come on.

TULANE—Gone, so Cliff Wells hopes, are the days of the "Natural Seven." Not that they were bad days, for they produced a tenth consecutive first division finish but they were anxious, uncomfortable days.

It all came about when Tulane started with 11 men. Two withdrew before the opener. Another was ruled ineligible at mid-term and a fourth quit school. Thus down the stretch, Tulane operated with seven men, an operation unique in major college basketball circles

Of the "Natural Seven," five return—four holdover regulars. Only three sophs move up to the varsity, yet in this band is talent enough to give Mr. Wells hope of a better club.

Cal Grosscup (6-4) and Stan Stumpf (6-4) are back at forwards. Tom Murphy (6-3½) returns at center as does Bill Jargstorf (6-2) at one guard. Grosscup, a junior college transfer, led the Greenies in scoring with 18.1.

A couple of sophomores will divide the fifth berth. Gary Stoll (5-11) comes on in the footsteps of brother Roy, one of the two departees. Larry Greene (5-10) is good enough despite his lack of height. They rank a notch ahead of the third rookie, Bob Risk (5-11).

Again, the bench poses the major problem. But Tulane did well last time (12-12) with hardly any at all.

FLORIDA—Most radical gain in the Southeastern Conference is expected to come from the University of Florida where Johnny Mauer sends out a veteran aggregation. Even though the Gators won only four of 14 league contests, they made a marked impression and are back almost intact. The logical expectation is for a finish higher up the ladder.

Four of Mauer's '56 starters are still in harness, including Bob Emrick (6-5) and Joe Hobbs (6-1), the one-two scorers last season. Emrick, one of the league's major all-star candidates, averaged 17.8 per try, Hobbs 17.3.

Put Emrick down at center, Hobbs at guard. At forward, Jim Zinn (6-7) is back to clear the boards, a job he did at a 13.5 rebounds per game as a sophomore. Zinn's co-worker is sophomore Dick Hoban (6-3), the lone newcomer. Ron Stokley (6-2) again pairs with Hobbs at guard.

That is a good, solid opening unit. Mauer sees Emrick and Hobbs as the keys, naturally, and feels Hoban's presence will help. On the depth score, too, Florida is improved with Burt Touchberry (6-4), Jerry Henderson (6-3) and Wayne Williams (6-4) owning varsity letters and Chuck Brendler (6-6) and Newell Fox (6-2) coming on from Jacksonville (Fla.) Junior College. Brendler will work behind Emrick, Fox at guard.

More bench strength is evident, too, in the number of upperclass non-letter winners returning. Roger Benefiel (6-4), Larry Gangi (6-4), Johnny Jones (6-1), Charlie Smith (5-10) and Bob Nichols (6-1) fall in that clasisfication.

MISSISSIPPI STATE—Expected to occupy the 1956 cellar, Mississippi State brashly stormed home in a sixth-place tie. This time, Babe McCarthy trots out an outstanding sophomore crop and good experienced help and must be considered an apt first division candidate.

No. 1 gun in the Maroon arsenal is Jimmy Ashmore, who, at 6-0, is the smallest starter. Ashmore, now a senior, popped home 22.3 per game from guard and was named to the All-SEC quintet. Wayne Lemon (6-5) and Billy Ethridge (6-2) are the club's top forwards but after that the upcoming sophomores infiltrate. One, Bailey Howell (6-6), opens at center and yet another, Jerry Keeton (6-2), pairs with Ashmore at guard. They're good, any who saw them as freshmen will attest to that.

For depth, McCarthy has lettermen Lloyd Johnson (6-4) and Shellie Bailey (6-1). He has, too, upperclass non-letter winners John Heiden (6-3), Wayne Pounds (6-2), Tony Byrne (5-10), Jimmy Kimbrell (6-3) and Don Mott (6-3). And further, he has Howell and Keeton's soph pals, Mike McRaney (6-1), Kermit Davis (6-1) and Paul Duncan (5-10).

State starts with good hopes. McCarthy expects an improved outfit and knows that in Ashmore he has one of the nation's best scorers.

GEORGIA TECH—That climb upward, begun amid the rubble of a 2-22 chart three years ago, still is underway. As Coach John Hyder moves his band into the shiny new Alexander Coliseum this Winter, he expects to offer the best Jacket production of the decade.

Top men on the list are Bobby Kimmel (6-3) and Lenny Cohen (6-6), both seniors. Kimmel, a fine all-around operator, led last year's team in scoring with a point average just below 19 and was voted the best defender in the league. Cohen missed half of the '54-'55 season with an ankle injury and was slow starting last time because of a pulled muscle. Given good health, he still might become one of the section's best.

Kimmel plays guard and forward equally well, but is put down at the latter now. Cohen works at center. Opposite Kimmel at forward is Gary Phil-

JIM ASHMORE, Miss. St. senior guard, hit for 22.3 average and gained spot on All-SEC 1st team.

BOBBY KIMMEL, Georgia Tech captain, leads Tech all-time scorers with 433 points for last season.

lips (6-1), a junior who missed all of last season because of a back ailment. Phillips proved his ability as a soph and is a welcome addition.

The guards are in the hands of three men, a junior and two rookies. Lane Akers (6-0) played a reserve role while Buddy Blemker (5-11) and Terry Randall (5-10) guided the high-scoring Jacket freshmen. Too, forwards Frank Inman (6-5) and Ham Stith (6-5) are promising sophs and center Buddy Davidson (6-9) comes on from North Greenville (S. C.) Junior College with a good background.

Tech will not own outstanding height but Hyder believes his defense will be good again and his hustlers will make up for obvious rebound disadvantage. Cohen, with more opportunity as the club's only big man, should develop and Kimmel will be a star.

AUBURN—Scholarly Joel Eaves produced a major surprise on The Plain a year ago, a fact to which Vanderbilt, Kentucky and Alabama will attest. His Tigers parlayed one stalwart youth and a generous mixture of seasoning into fourth place and Eaves was named Coach of the Year.

This time, however, but two of the top six remain. Junior center Bill McGriff (6-7) and senior guard Henry Sturkie (6-0) figured strongly in the late-season victory over Vandy and near-misses against Kentucky and Alabama, but so did the four departees. Thus Auburn for '57 takes on the appearance of a youth movement.

Eaves is well aware of the fact. "We'll probably be the youngest club in the league," he says. "And I'd figure we're perhaps a year away."

McGriff, as a sophomore, led the club with a 15.9 average and acquitted himself well in individual matches against the likes of Bob Burrow of Kentucky and Jerry Harper of Alabama. This trip, though, his chore will be greater for he will be key to the plan. Sturkie, a workman-like performer as a soph, played beyond his coach's fondest expectations as a junior and Eaves hopes the spell holds.

At the outset, two more junior and one sophomore appear ready to fill out the starting lineup. Forward Terry Chandler (6-3) and guard Bobby Tucker (6-0) worked in reserve roles last season. Forward Rex Frederick (6-5), the rookie, sparkled for the unbeaten Auburn frosh.

Jimmy Lee (6-2) and Henry Hart (6-1) ran together at guards on that frosh outfit and Ty Samples (6-3) was Frederick's pal at forward. J. B. Bearden (6-4) moves in from Young Harris (Ga.) J. C. with a brilliant average hanging around 20 points over a two-year period. Thamas Coleman (6-5) and Bill Gregory (6-8) round out the squad.

Of the returnees, only McGriff produced better than 10 per game last season. Sturkie scored at 9.1 and the others played hardly enough to amass startling averages.

TENNESSEE—Unaccustomed to losing seasons under Emmett Lowery, Tennessee relies heavily on a pair of sharp-eyed guards as it seeks to avoid a second straight. For as Herman Thompson (5-10) and Leon Ammerman (6-0) go, so likely will go the Vols. Senior Thompson scored at 18 per game last year. Ammerman, as a sophomore, managed 12.7, giving Lowery better than 30 points per game from his first two backcourt men.

Another holdover regular is Bob Gipe, (6-5), a senior, who operates at forward but has yet to produce an outstanding scoring record. Back from service to run with him is Dick Kellar (6-3), likewise experienced, so the Vols will go with plenty of savvy

The center position rests in the hands of Gene Tormohlen (6-7), whose work as a freshman was impressive. Tormohlen and Don Bingham (6-1), a guard, figure to be the top youngsters on the squad.

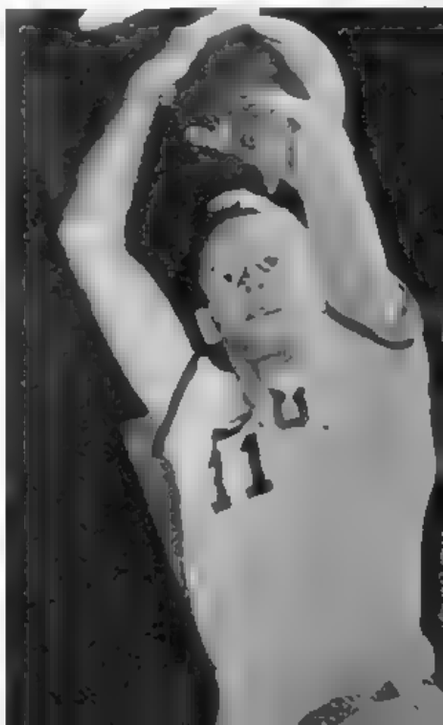
Bob Gentry (6-3) at forward and Gene Simpson (6-0) and Bill Cate (6-3) at guards give Tennessee experienced bench help. They are supplemented by sophs Don Reeverts (6-4), Charley Scott

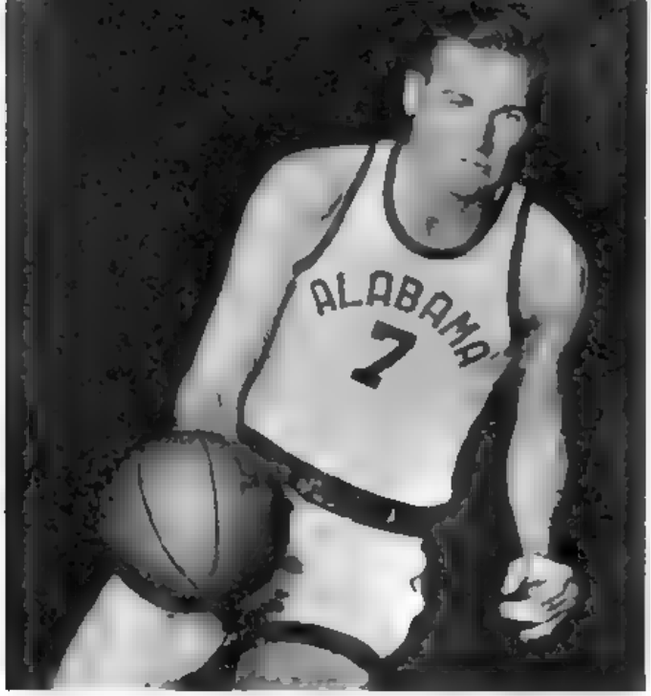
BILL McGRIFF, who led club with 15.9 average as soph, is Auburn's key man.

HENRY STURKIE, 6-foot senior guard, is other half of Auburn vet cage core.

ROGER SIGLER, senior LSU forward, led circuit with 25.1 point average.

DOM MERLE, 6-foot LSU guard, scored 327 points and snared 96 rebounds.





JIM FULMER, Alabama center, hit on 33 per cent of his shots and grabbed 20 rebounds in role of sub.

(6-3), Don Preston (6-3), Kenny Coulter (6-2), Jerry Burttram (5-11) and Ray Cooper (6-0) and offer the makings of an adequate reserve force.

LOUISIANA STATE—Ol' Lou, which suffered through a mediocre 1956 campaign but did not suffer for lack of individual brilliance, moves in a host of strangers. Only three squad members are held over, but all three were regulars during the disappointing 7-17 trip last time.

One of them, Roger Sigler (6-3), led the Southeastern Conference in scoring with a 25.1 mark for 20 games. This sharpshooter, cut down by late-season injury, furnished fireworks enough so that LSU was no dull attraction. He pumped home 36 points twice and, against Tulane, grabbed 21 rebounds

Sigler, now a senior, is the bulwark Troy Rushing (6-3) is back to again play opposite him at forward and Rushing averaged 12.3 himself. Dom Merle (6-0), guard, scored at 13.6, thus veteran Harry Rabenhorst owns three veteran starters who accumulated 51 points per game.

Transfers step into the remaining opening assignments—Dale Lassiter (6-6) at center and Jim Crisco (6-1) at guard. Both are sophs. Newcomers, too, make up the depth. The squad is completed by Lou Rich (6-5), a transfer, and sophomores Lynn Moon (6-3), Charley Seitz (6-0), Wayne Wedgeworth (6-4), Ray McCain (6-0), Jerry Kearns (6-0), Joe Combs (6-6), James O'Rear (6-3) and Paul Salley (5-10).

LSU stands to improve, but is perhaps top-heavy with inexperience for such fast company.

ALABAMA—Little tangible evidence remains of the fabled Rocket Eight, of Johnny Dee or of Alabama's golden drive to the Southeastern Conference championship last March. Gone, via graduation walk, are the five big men of that team and its three predecessors. Gone, too, is Dee and in his place stands Gene Lambert, eminently successful at Memphis State but now about to begin the biggest rebuilding job in the entire South.

Lambert, who produced an NCAA tournament qualifier at Memphis last season, is naturally cheerful but opens practice with little more than game-film knowledge of his personnel. Dee, though, figured his second line of '56 plenty stout and already Lambert has been impressed by its speed and ranginess.

With nary a returning regular, the starting lineup is open for grabs. Figuring most heavily at the outset will be the No. 1 relief men. One is center Jim Fulmer (6-6) who appeared in 15 games. Another, guard Jack Kubiszyn (5-11) played in 23 Forwards Dale Shuman (6-3) and Jim Touvelle (6-3) worked on 15 and 11 occasions respectively, and the fifth, guard Dick Bratton (5-8) appeared 12 times.

Five other upperclassmen are around—center Jim Bogan (6-7), forwards Tom Crosby (6-4), Roy Forbus (6-4) and Jim Lewis (6-2) and guard Fred Frickle (6-2), but experiencewise, they must start on a par with five sophomores, three of whom may play key roles.

Center E. B. Hamner (6-6) and forwards John O'Keefe (6-4) and Gene Beard (6-3) move into varsity competition with high recommendations They joined Len Kaplan (5-7) and Billy Eubanks (5-11) on the '56 frosh quintet.

No repeat of a 21-3 season seems possible, but Lambert hopes and believes the Tide will be something more than a total loss.

MISSISSIPPI—Ole Miss, which started the '55-'56 campaign in a blaze, then cooled off toward the

JOE GIBBON (16), Mississippi captain, cuts under his shots and grabbed 20 rebounds in role of sub.

end, should be better this time. Bonnie Graham, all-time Rebel athletic great now coaching his Alma Mater's basketball forces, believes that, but Graham knows the steadying influence of graduated Jerry Bynum will be sorely missed.

Bynum was the only senior on last year's squad. He provided the old pro touch for the youthful band. Now he leaves them to fly on their own wings.

Stout wings they might be. Forward Joe Gibbon (6-4) is a 22.2 scorer and Carlton Garner (6-4) and guard Bobby Robinson (6-2) are capable hands. Bobby Williams (6-2) teams with Robinson, Garner with Gibbon giving the Rebels four letter winners along the front line.

At center, sophomore Jimmy Graves (6-7) has ousted more experienced hands and will lend his needed inches to the cause He and guard Jim Atherton (6-2) were the prime forces on last season's frosh outfit.

The Rebels scored well but suffered defensively last season. A year's growth in most positions will help that situation.

GEORGIA—Even a born optimist like Harbin (Red) Lawson found little about which to smile a year ago at Athens. His Bulldogs never quite managed the "big" victory they needed and broke up in March with a 1-13 league record, 3-20 over-all.

The law of averages says they'll do better. Just how much would seem to depend largely on Lawson's important junior class, five strong and each vital. As sophs, Henry Cabaniss (6-5), Ray Allen (6-2), Don Hartsfield (6-10), Terry Hagan (6-2) and Billy Hearn (6-3)—did well. Now they must come along stronger with a year's experience.

Cabaniss, Allen and Hartsfield are put down as starting material, the former at forward, the latter pair at guards. Henry wound up his rookie season as a member of the league's All-Soph quintet.

Liked, too, in the battle to start are center Bill Ensley (6-5) and forward Curtis Gleaton (6-4), a pair of seniors. Ensley scored at 13.9 last year.

The Georgia story is not entirely one of familiar faces. Back from Army duty comes Fred Edmondson (6-0) and Lawson figures he'll make Allen and Hartsfield hustle. And center Haywood Hobgood (6-8) and forward Sonny Poss (6-4) were good freshmen and may be considered dark horse candidates.

Seniors Virgil Mills (6-2), Ron Bradley (6-0) and W. C. Jones (5-11) along with Hagan and Hearn own some experience. They group with sophs Joe DeFoor (6-2) and Bob Chaney (6-1) to offer a good-looking bench.

Georgia will have more depth, more height than usual. The home schedule is more favorable, too, a factor not to be overlooked.

INDEPENDENTS

LOUISVILLE—The University of Louisville firmly expects to be the best college basketball team in the nation in 1957. Startling though it may sound, that expectation is based on fact and the Cardinals must be put down just like that until proven wrong.

Peck Hickman begins his 13th year on the Belknap campus with one bona-fide All-American, two more holdover regulars, a total of six letter winners and three sophomores tagged by U. of L. attachees as simply "great." This squad, Peck admits, owns more potential than did its predecessor.

Charley Tyra (6-8) is the wheelhorse and like his club, may be the nation's best. Named the Most Valuable Player at the conclusion of the Cards' National Invitation Tournament conquest a year ago, the brilliant Tyra returns for his senior year a sure fire A-A choice. For recommendation, he has but to show last season's scoring average—23 per game—and rebounding success, 645, No. 1 across the land. He out-rebounded every foe and only twice in 29 games was outscored.

Back, too, are Bill Darragh (6-5) at forward and Jim Morgan (6-1) at guard. Morgan, vastly underrated 'til now, scored at 14.4, second only to Tyra, and Darragh's steadiness, aid off the boards and 11.3 scoring played major parts in the drive to the national title.

To fill the two vacated starting spots and top two relief roles Hickman turns first to his '56 bench. From it, Gerry DuPont (6-10), Al Glaza (6-6) and Roscoe Shackelford (6-1) get first call, but none can rest easy. DuPont, a junior, and Glaza, a senior, would run with Darragh at forwad, while senior Shackelford bids for the guard post opposite Morgan.

By virtue of experience, those three hold the edge. Lacking only that experience are three second-year men who may move in at any time. Don Goldstein (6-5) can play center or forward while Alex Mantel (6-2½) and Harold Andrews (6-2½) are equally at home as forwards or guards

Add to that group of nine Charles Deaton (6-1), John Froning (6-4), Dave Ehringer (5-11), Jim Heeren (6-9) and Joel Shaw (6-2) and the result is a 14-man squad difficult to equal in the land.

Louisville has climbed steadily under Hickman. In his 12 previous seasons, Peck has piled up 256 wins against 78 losses and has claimed both NAIB (1948) and NIT (1956) titles. This might well be the culmination, the greatest of them all.

MEMPHIS STATE—Not even the loss by graduation of high-scoring Forrest Arnold dims the future for Memphis State which got a taste of NCAA tournament competition after compiling a 20-6 record. Gone on to Alabama is the coach, Dr. Gene Lambert, and in his place, Bob Vanatta inherits a talented squad of medium-sized skyscrapers.

Actually, Arnold and a pair of good guards—Elmore Fortner and Ken Caldwell—were graduated, but the rest of the group would appear capable of more than making up for their absence. Vanatta likes the scoring potential and heft, admits to fair enough speed and feels that in Win Wilfong (6-2) he has one of the better offensive agents in the section.

Wilfong, who led the club in scoring, works equally well at forward or guard and will start the new grind at the latter under Vanatta's present plan. Back, too, for another tour is Hoover Scott (6-5), a senior forward. So is Jack Butcher (5-10) who shared time with Caldwell in one of the backcourt posts.

Three sophomores figure strongly. Orby Arnold (6-6) can go at forward or center and started his share of games as a rookie. Bob McDonald (6-5) may well be the regular pivot and Jim Hockaday (6-6) will battle for any vacancy along the front line.

Butcher and Wilfong, if the latter stays at guard, will have to beat back the bids of one-hand outside shot specialist Ron Ragan (6-3), a junior, and sophomore Eddie Weil (5-11).

A real big man would ease Vanatta's mind, but if his 6-5s and 6-6s can overcome any the enemy offers, Memphis State will again be rugged.

CENTENARY—Stout Centenary has the makings of an even better club than the one which went 20-5 a year ago. However, a delegation of sophomore talent must live up to its advance notice.

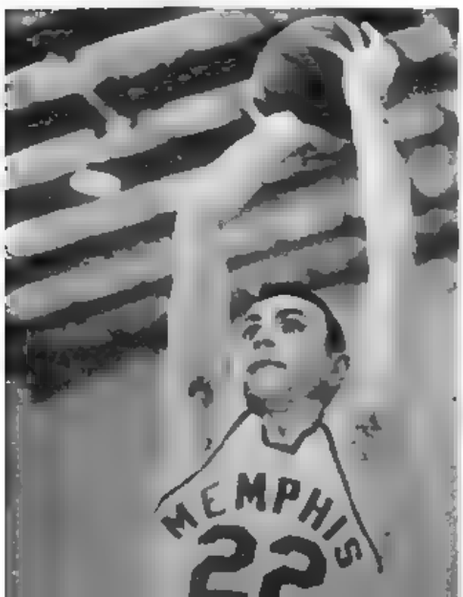
Three starting spots pose no trouble, for they are in the hands of holdover regulars. A varsity reserve moves into a fourth, leaving berth No. 5 and the all-important top reserve slots to the youngsters.

Forward Larry Teague (6-5) and guards Dean Busboom (6-1) and Ron Viskozki (5-9) worked regularly and are back now as seniors. So is center Lester Ralph (6-6).

The other starting assignment rests in the hands of Tom Hubble (6-3), best of the second-year crop. He goes at forward along with the veteran Teague.

Three more rookies actually figure stongly in the Centenary picture. Center Morris Schrimoshore (6-5), and guards Bobby Shulman (5-11) and James Cassady (5-9) showed fine promise as frosh and upon them rests the heavy burden of giving the Gentlemen first-rate reserve strength.

WIN WILFONG, key man for Memphis State, poured in 574 points last season.



GENE STAGE, Miami guard, hit 378 points and gathered in 124 rebounds.

MIAMI—Those sophomores of 1956 have matured and old pro Bruce Hale looks for an upswinging Hurricane entry this season. He must replace his best scorer, but beyond that is loaded with faces familiar to full-time operation.

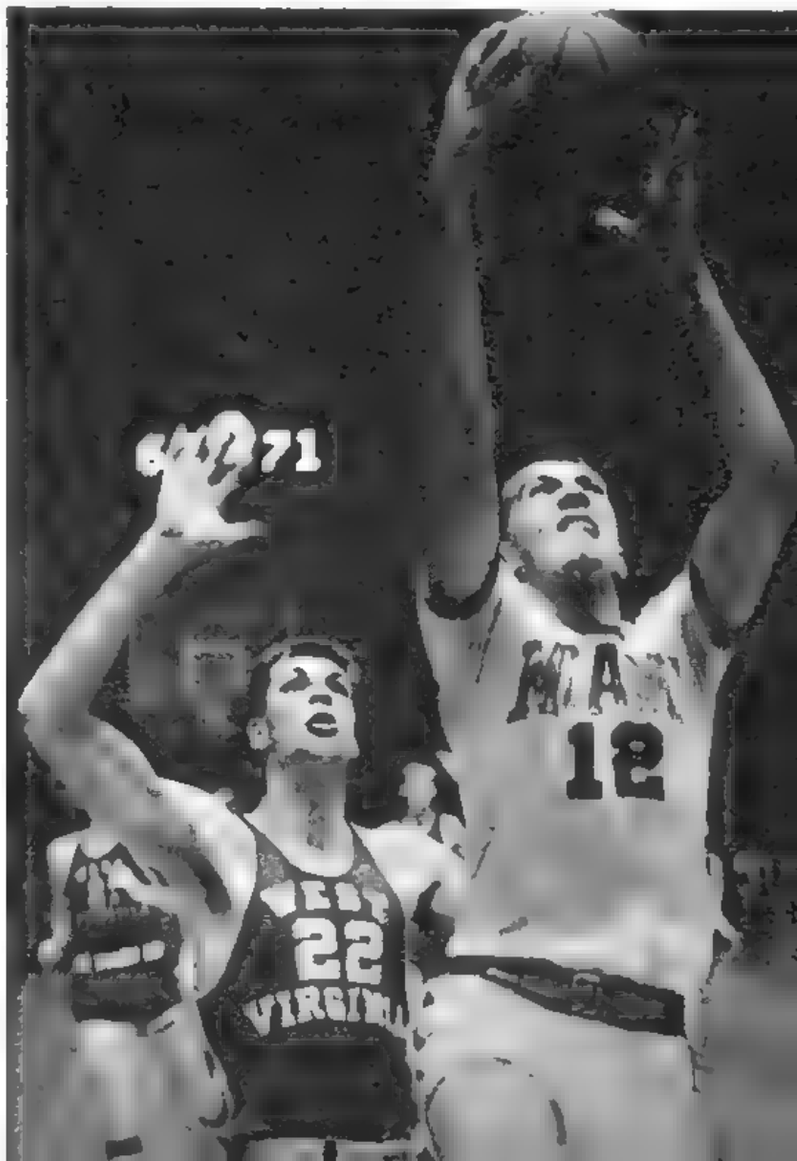
Gone is Dick Miani and his 19.7 per game output will be missed. But fellow regulars Marty Burdette (6-3), Ed Morris (6-4), Stan Kojhowski (6-6) and Gene Stage (6-0) hold the fort again. Morris scored best at 16.1 but Stage and Burdette also ran into double figures.

Fifth starter would appear to be Bill Talbot (6-1), another junior, who sat out the last campaign because of ineligibility.

Behind them are another good sophomore crop and a couple of transfers. Joe Gardner (6-2) and Jerry Davis (6-6) come on as new faces, the former from Tennessee Tech, and both will push for first row seats. Sophomores expected to create major stirs are Jim Mitchell (6-3) and Dod Hammond (6-6) at forwards, Pete Turonis (6-7) at center and Mark Thistlethwaite (6-0) and Joe Munley (6-0) at guards.

Forwards Morris and Burdette and guard Stage are the key men in the plan for Miami to move up this year.

ED MORRIS, who averaged 16.1 at forward for Miami last season, sinks one on fast break against West Va.



LOYOLA (New Orleans)—Presence of six veterans—four holdover starters—and a bumper sophomore crop stamp the beginning of green years at Loyola, perhaps the coming strong-boy in Dixie independent circles.

The Wolfpack faces a schedule loaded with woe—Louisville, Dayton, Cincinnati, Oklahoma City, Xavier (Ohio) and Texas A. and M., to name just six. However, Jim McCafferty's band appears well equipped. McCafferty himself likes its scoring potential and everybody likes Pete Gaudin. Gaudin (6-5) averaged 16 points per game as a sophomore and came home seventh in the NCAA free throw derby with 130 out of 157. He is, his coach believes, a worthy All-America candidate.

Back, too, are Jim Hall (6-5), Pete's running mate at forward; center Bill Schweiberger (6-9) and guard John Lorio (5-11). Lorio is the only senior. The fifth starter appears to be Chester Doll (6-5), a returning GI. Lettermen Henry Exsterstein (5-7) and John Murret (6-1) provide seasoned depth.

Loyola's '56 frosh were great. Guard Bob McLaughlin (6-1) led the rookie outfit in scoring, but must share billing with another backcourt man, Bob Hughes (6-3) and a forward, Karl Vogt (6-3). Moving up, too, are Johnny Sullivan (6-6) and Gene Mellican (6-4) and either could cause a shakeup in the form sheet.

Gaudin and Lorio hold the key, but this one appears a comer.

GEORGIA TEACHERS—Rapidly moving toward better things in Southern independent circles, Georgia Teachers goes out this time with a lank sophomore and a high jumping senior holding the key to a return NAIA tournament trip.

Jim Long (6-8) is the former and to him falls the lot of replacing Chester Webb, the club's best scorer. Long, a transfer who sat out his year in '56, must take up the slack off the boards as well as in the scoring column. The jumping vet is Garland Campbell (5-11), a forward whose marvelous spring has equalized many a six-footer. He shot with 46 per cent accuracy in scoring 508 points and rebounded almost beyond belief for a man of his size.

BOB WILLIAMS, 6-8 center, brings senior savvy to Florida St. in bid for 3rd straight loop title.

Campbell is but one of four returning regulars. Doug Corry (6-5) at forward hopes to shake the injury and illness jinx and, if he does, can become a big point producer. Guards Bo Warren (6-0) and Don Wallen (5-11) are a couple of steady 10-12 pointers.

Two sophomores beside Long figure heavily in Coach J. B. Scearce's plan. Howard Wall (5-9) was the leading scorer on the '56 frosh and Walker Cook (6-2) comes on with the acolade of being one of the best shots ever to enroll at Statesboro.

MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN—The youthful 1956 squad having more than held its own, Mississippi Southern logically may be expected to be even tougher this year.

The Southerners return four lads who earned regular jobs and dominated the club's scoring as sophomores. Juniors now are forward Robert Boothe (6-3), center Bob Kinney (6-9) and guards Don Eddy (6-1) and Jim Milstead (6-3). Eddy, Kinney and Boothe scored consistently in double figures

As for the forward slot vacated by graduation of Marvin Beck, presence of Terry Armstrong (6-8), red-shirted as a second-year man, is assuring.

Back, with duty as reserves on the books, are forwards Ron Youngblood (6-2), Billy Hatten (6-5), Gerald Martello (6-2) and Wayne Pulliam (6-2); centers Bob Hardwick (6-5) and Ken Fortenberry (6-5), and guards Frank Chandler (6-1), A. G. Robinson (6-2), Harold Ray Kea (5-11) and Dan Leech (6-2). Coming on from a junior college tour is forward Brent Smith (6-4) and his 208 pounds may make their weight felt under the boards.

Overall, good height and vastly more experience than a year ago abounds. Southern should take a big step up the ladder.

FLORIDA STATE—Graduation of hot-shot Jimmy Oler and two other regulars leaves Bud Kennedy with his share of problems as he establishes his Seminoles for their run at a third straight Florida Intercollegiate Conference crown. However, the new array will offer more height and all certainly is not lost.

Bob Williams (6-8) brings senior experience back to the center position. Bob Ward (6-4) returns at guard and Stuart Gregory (6-5) and Tom Garcia (5-8) climb from reserve status to regular jobs. Fifth starter, then, would be Bobby Whatley (6-8) one of a pair of strong junior college graduates corralled by Kennedy. Whatley works at forward with Gregory, Garcia and Ward at guards.

Chipola (Fla.) J. C. furnished Whatley. Jacksonville (Fla.) J. C. sends along Larry Strom (6-5), another forward aspirant. Sophomore Hugh Durham (6-0) is a good guard prospect, and Bob Waites (6-0), Darryll Mahoney (6-1) and Fred Twomey (6-2) own a measure of experience.

SPRING HILL—Bill Gardiner has the height, but woefully lacks the experience and until maturity

develops under fire the going may be rocky at Spring Hill.

Ed Tibbetts (6-2) is again at forward and Gene McGuire (6-3) is back at guard. There, though, front-line experience ends. One freshman, Bob Grundic (6-6), rates a look-in as a starter. He goes at forward with Tibbetts and provides a measure of that sought-after height. So, too, does Tom Colbert (6-7), a service returnee, who claims the regular pivot spot. The fifth man tabbed for full-time duty is guard Gerry Rubin (5-10), a senior with reserve labor in his background.

Two sophomores could figure strongly. Jim Carney (6-4) is a center and Ed Breen (6-2) impressed last season at forward.

GULF STATES CONFERENCE

NORTHWESTERN STATE—Given adequate rebounding, Northwestern State's veteran squad appears ready to move to the head of the Gulf States list. It owns good scoring, centered around All-America candidate Dick Brown, and came home second to NAIA champ McNeese in '56.

Brown (5-10½) poured home 519 points as a junior. He operates at guard. Brown's running mate is Jim Leach (5-9), a soph. Senior Lavelle Langston (6-10½) skyscrapes at center, and sophs Larry Fontenat (6-7) and Bob Wicker (6-2) operate at forwards. In addition, Bobby John Howell (6-5) comes on from Southwest (Miss.) Junior College to bolster the Demon depth.

The club went 18-10 a year ago with freshmen playing key roles. Maturity and Brown's siege-gun stamp Northwestern as the one to watch.

LOUISIANA TECH—Almost sure to be among that number when the first division of the GSC is put down is Louisiana Tech, possesor of four experienced hands, three of which contend for all-star spots.

Forward Jap Gullatt (6-1), center Ray Germany (6-5) and guard Jim Knotts (6-2) each owns backing as a worthy for any list of the league's best. Each was a regular a year ago. Fourth holdover is Charles Frye (5-10) at guard. Opposite Gullatt will be J. W. Mercer (6-4), just a freshman but a good one.

Mercer's largest obstacle—if he is to retain his place in the sun—is sophomore Max Kimmel (6-3).

McNEESE—Familiar names right and left are missing as Ralph Ward calls the roll for the Cinderella McNeese club which stormed to the NAIA championship. Yet all is not gloom at Lake Charles Frank Glenn (6-2) at forward, Jesse Perry (6-0) at center and Charles Decker (6-0) at guard saw much service and the former is put down all around the league as all-star material.

Around that trio then, McNeese will be rebuilt. Ward quickly adds three good sophomores and his picture brightens. One of them, Jerry Clark (6-3), can go at center or forward, while Huey Olliff (6-3) is a forward, Ted Cabra (5-8) a guard. More seasoned help includes Carroll Hatcher (6-1) at guard, Ray Stevens (6-8) at center and Ken Troutman (6-1), a forward-guard.

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA—Marked improvement which may be traced to a domination of experience, a good sophomore crop and two key junior college transfers stamps Southeastern as a challenger this time, for the Gulf States title.

Luther Marlar brings back four regulars—Bennis Kimble (6-2) and Mack Harvey (6-4) at forwards, Charles Stewart (6-5) at center, and Tom Burke (5-11) at guards—and each goes into his senior year backed by playing time enough to provide needed polish. Kimble, a sharp-eyed lad, is a good All-Conference bet.

Fifth starter is one of two importees from Paducah (Ky.) Junior College. The name is Dave Glisson (6-2) and he comes on with another guard, Ernest Williams (6-2). Off last year's frosh, Marlar expects Ron Klosterman (6-7) to work well at either forward or center, and has high hopes for two more guards, James Casabat (5-9) and Dave Cambre (6-2).

NORTHEASTERN—Better depth and balance encourage Arnold Kilpatrick as he opens the new campaign at Northeastern. He has a good crop of vets and a promising band of newcomers.

His senior forward Lloyd Crocker (6-5) is a sure-fire all-league candidate. Crocker may be counted on to boost a scoring chart of 15 per game He led the league in rebounds as a junior and will be just as tough this time.

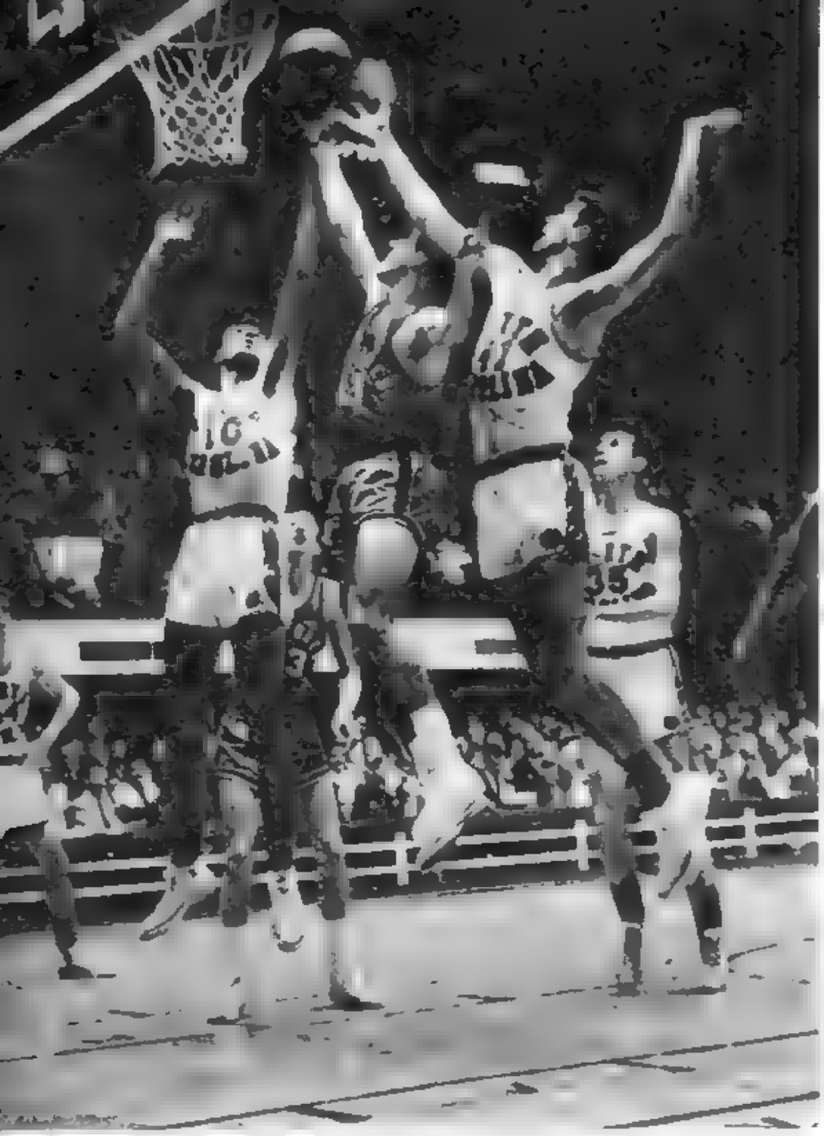
Crocker's running mate is Stan Shaneyfelt (6-4), another senior. Gene Mathis (6-8) steps into center as a soph and the guards are Bob Patterson (5-9) and Sid Bradley (6-0), both juniors.

From his bench, Kilpatrick may draw on two juniors—Bill Phillips (6-6) and Jesse Pickering (6-4)—at either forward or center. Sophs John Freeman (6-0) and Bill May (6-6) are back and the former is sure to work heavily at guard. And frosh comers Larry Webb (6-3), Vernon Cottrell (6-6), Ron Vines (5-8), Bobby Bell (6-2) and Gay Brashier (6-5) may not be written off.

SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA—Good height and a measure of seasoning stamp SLI as an ambitious bidder in the Gulf States race. Four regulars return, two of them having worked as freshmen, and coach Dutch Reinhardt is expecting a good run from four more sophomores. His top nine includes only one man below the six-foot level.

Last year's forwards, Ron Boesch (6-5) and Durwood Dukes (6-1), are back. Randolph Price (6-5), now a soph, returns at center and Prentice McKellar (6-1) runs again at one guard. McKellar, too, was a raw recruit last trip. Fifth starter is Bob Rego (6-0), likewise a soph.

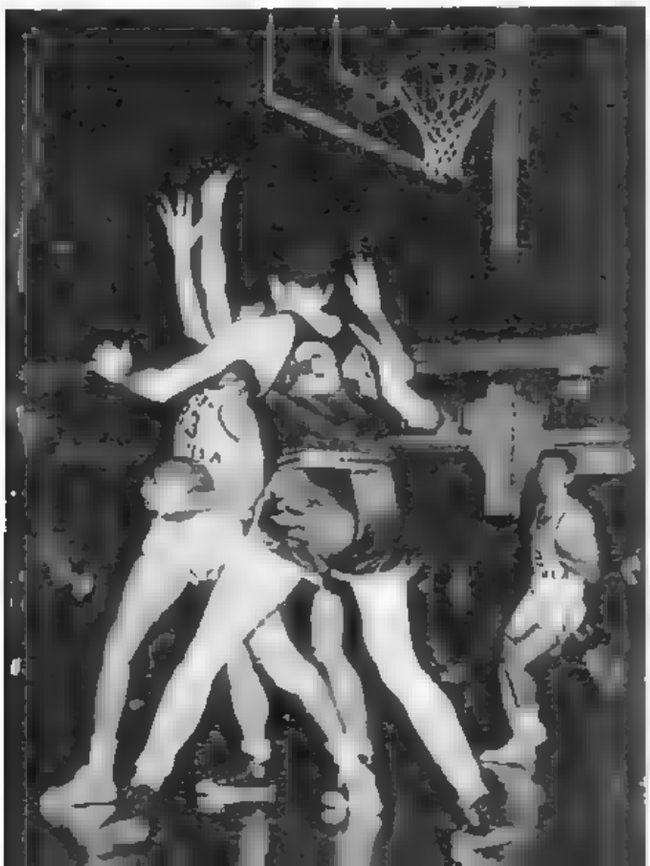
Behind that quintet, Marion Stewart (6-3), Doug Adkins (6-4), James Sparrow (6-5) and Lawrence Anter (5-8) move in as bench strength. All are sophomores.



LENNIE ROSENBLUTH (10), NC's All-America hope, goes up with Joe Quigg (41) in bid to stop shot by Wake Forest's second highest scorer, Jack Williams.

JOE QUIGG (41), who snared 207 rebounds for Tar Heels, battles Wake Forest's Jack Williams under board in AAC tourney semi-final. NC lost 77-56.

HOT ROD HUNDLEY (83), West Virginia' ace, fakes with right to toss guard off balance and shoot with left; at right, Hundley drives in for tally that beat Richmond, 58-56, in Southeastern Conference tourney.



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Atlantic Coast and Southern

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PREDICTIONS

Atlantic Coast Conference

1. North Carolina
2. Wake Forest
3. N. C. State
4. Maryland
5. Duke
6. Virginia
7. South Carolina
8. Clemson

Southern Conference

1. West Virginia
2. George Washington
3. Washington & Lee
4. William & Mary
5. Richmond
6. Furman
7. Virginia Tech
8. Davidson
9. Virginia Military
10. The Citadel

Ohio Valley Conference

1. Western Kentucky
2. Eastern Kentucky
3. Morehead State
4. Murray State
5. Tennessee Tech
6. Middle Tennessee

Mason-Dixon Champion—Mt. Saint Mary's

IT IS a proud claim in the South that the balance of national basketball power has swung to that direction. The excellent teams produced last season support the contention. All indications point to more powerhouses and outstanding individuals.

In the pre-season calculations North Carolina gets the nod to take over rival North Carolina State's role as the best team in the rugged Atlantic Coast Conference. In the other circuits there should be little change at the top. West Virginia is the heavy favorite to retain its Southern Conference championship. Western Kentucky is looking for one of its best squads of all time and a return to the peak of the Ohio Valley Conference. Mount Saint Mary's confidently expects to win its fourth straight Mason-Dixon crown.

Biggest news from the area is that Everett Case's North Carolina State Wolfpack no longer is the team to beat. Case lost four of his starters including Ronnie Shavlik, the best center he ever had, and Vic Molodet, his best guard. But the Wolfpack probably will be snarling by tournament time when the championship is decided. In the ACC and Southern conferences, the regular-season record means nothing when the championship is determined. That is done in tourney play.

North Carolina starts with a squad rated strongest in the conference and one of the tops in the nation. Frank McGuire in his fifth season comes up with more talent than Case. To get the title the Wolfpack defends, though, the Tar Heels will have to overcome a tournament letdown that afflicted them in the past two seasons when they were walloped by Wake Forest.

Lennie Rosenbluth, a top All-America candidate, gets strong support from a talent-rich cast as North Carolina bids for national honors. The slim sharpshooter will be the most dangerous scorer in the league. McGuire has them at least two deep at every position and his hardest job will be to find the best starting combination. There is no apparent weakness.

McGuire can put only five men on the floor at one time, and in that lies the hope of Wake Forest of taking over the No. 1 role in the conference. The Deacons have four senior starters back from the team that was terrific at the end of last season.

North Carolina State builds around Cliff Hafer and John Maglio and will have to get strong performances from several promising sophomores. The Wolfpack was No. 2 in the nation in the final Associated Press poll but will have accomplished a great rebuilding job if it lands in the top 10 this time.

Duke, usually a contender, lost three starters. Three others figured to start this season won't be back in school. Maryland moves a notch ahead of the Blue Devils, but Coach Bud Millikan says he still is looking for a really big man. Virginia will have more height from some tall sophomores and could challenge for a spot in the top four.

West Virginia has Hot Rod Hundley back for his senior year. Coach Fred Schaus believes the colorful ace will be a leading candidate for player-of-the-year honors. The Mountaineers lost three valuable men, but around the league they figure there is more talent at Morgantown than anywhere else.

George Washington goes into the Winter wars without big Joe Holup, the backbone of the team for four successful years, and Bill Reinhart says it will be a rebuilding year. Washington and Lee has a veteran team that disappointed last season but which could move into title contention if all goes well. William and Mary should improve. Richmond lost the bulk of its experienced starting five but has some tested reserves available. Furman won't have Darrell Floyd, the All-America scoring champion. Lyles Alley lost some other four-year veterans and will bank on Dick Wright, a talented sophomore.

In the Ohio Valley Conference both Ed Diddle of Western Kentucky and Paul McBrayer of Eastern Kentucky look over their talent and can find no

fault with it. The veteran Diddle has been coaching for 35 years and wouldn't be surprised if this is his best of all Western teams. McBrayer says he hasn't had better talent since he has been at Eastern.

In the Mason-Dixon loop Mount Saint Mary's is counting heavily on Jack Sullivan, who holds most of the school's scoring records, to avoid injury in the drive for a fourth straight title.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

NORTH CAROLINA—Coach Frank McGuire has the talent available for the best team in North Carolina's basketball history. He has them tall, experienced, and dead of aim. And he has lots of them. Last season the Tar Heels (18-5) were undefeated on their home court but were thumped solidly by Wake Forest in the all-important conference tournament. This time they should have enough manpower to go all the way.

Lennie Rosenbluth (6-5) averaged 26.7 points and will do just as well again in his bid for first team All-America honors. He has every shot there is and makes more than 45 per cent of his tries. In addition, he is an excellent rebounder. With him on the front line will be juniors Joe Quigg (6-9) and Pete Brennan (6-6). Both are good shooters. Tony Radovich (6-2), available for the first semester, will have a difficult time winning a starting job. The sophomore talent at guard is abundant. Tommy Kearns, a 5-11 junior, is another veteran who will have to fight off the challenge of the star freshman guard duo of Harvey Salz (6-1) and Stan Groll (6-0).

Sideliners figured that as freshmen Salz and Groll were good enough to start for the varsity. Salz averaged 21.7 and Groll 14.7 as the freshmen won 17 and lost only two. They are not the only sophomores who will push the veterans. Danny Lotz, a 6-7 left-hander, and Billy Hathaway, a 6-11 giant, will make their presence felt.

LENNIE ROSENBLUTH, top man for mighty NC, netted 614 for 26.7 ave.

PETE BRENNAN, another of Frank McGuire's vets, boasts .417 shooting skill.

JIM GILLEY, 6-6 Wake Forest center, seems to be swinging on net as he makes desperate rebound attempt.

Reserves of last season who return are Bob Cunningham (6-4), Bob Young (6-6), Roy Searcy (6-4), and Ken Rosemond (5-8). Cunningham and Young were starters at various times last season.

The terrific competition for jobs should keep the stars on their toes and give Carolina the best bench in the league. McGuire looks for a stronger team but says it will be difficult to improve on the record. "Almost any team will lose four or five games," he points out, "and our schedule will be much tougher."

WAKE FOREST—With four regulars back the Deacons will be tough for any opponent and probably will make fewer mistakes than any other outfit in the league. They are experienced, smart and excellent shooters.

The missing regular, Lowell (Lefty) Davis, was the team's leading scorer. The added experience of the others plus more rebounding strength from his replacement should make Murray Greason's team as strong as or stronger than it was last season.

Jack Ladd, 6-5 and 210 pounds, and Wendell Carr, the No. 1 reserve last season, will battle it out for the forward spot vacated by Davis. Ladd averaged 17.5 points for the freshmen and is a rugged rebounder. Carr didn't score much as a reserve but was tough under the boards.

Starters returning are forward Jack Williams, one of the best in the South; center Jim Gilley

JOHN RICHTER, 6-8 soph, bids to fill Ronnie Shavlik's post at NC St.

JOHN MAGLIO hit on 45% of his field goal tries as 6-foot Wolfpack guard.

(6-6), who should have his best season, and the standout senior guard combination of Jackie Murdock (5-10) and Ernie Wiggins (6-0). Murdock and Wiggins each made exactly half his shots for the entire season a year ago. Williams (6-3) averaged 16.5 points after a slow start. Murdock hit for 16.1 and Wiggins for 13.4.

There is no really big man, but the Deacons will do better off the boards and again will have a balanced attack. There is more reserve strength. Joe Stepusin (6-4), Henry Bowers (6-3), Ken Cox (6-3), Don Scalf (5-11), and Bill Tucker (5-11) are reserves who return. Also helping the bench strength will be sophomores Dick Odom (6-5) who averaged 16.5 points for the frosh; Olin Broadway (6-3), Rex McMillan (6-3), and Bill Greene (6-1).

NORTH CAROLINA STATE—Coach Everett Case has a rebuilding job to do. Four regulars are missing, including Ronnie Shavlik, All-America center, and Vic Molodet, a brilliant guard. Also missing are regulars Phil DiNardo and Lou Dickman.

Sophomores will play key roles, with two likely to start. John Richter (6-8) doesn't have the finesse of Shavlik but is stronger and is one of the most aggressive players Case has had. He may become a standout for the Wolfpack. Bob MacGillivray (6-4) is another rugged sophomore who leads at one forward position. He is a remarkable marksman and can rebound.

Cliff Hafer (6-4) was lost at mid-season but returns for his final year. He is tremendously fast and a great outside shot. John (Clutch) Maglio (6-0) returns at guard for his final season and will account for a lot of points. Replacing Molodet at the other guard is a major problem. Whitey Bell (6-0), who teamed with Molodet as a sophomore, returns from the service. He is aggressive and a good shot.

Reserve strength, long a strong point at State, is questionable. Nick Pond (6-4) can play either forward or guard and will be a valuable senior. Bob Seitz, a 6-11 senior, again will be available for spot duty at center. Tom Hopper (6-3), Marv Kessler (5-11), and Raymond Waters (6-2) are other of last season's reserves who return.

Ken Clark (6-5) forward and Lou Pucillo (5-9) are the other leading sophomore candidates. Bob Goodrich (6-0) and Dick Kelly (6-2) round out the squad.

The Wolfpack should have excellent shooting and good rebounding. It lacks experience but has enough old hands to steady the sophomores. By tournament time—when the championship is decided—State could be very tough again.

MARYLAND—Bud Millikan still is looking for that big man who will make it easier to bid for the conference championship. His Terps should do as well as last season when they had a 7-7 record in the league and 14-10 for the season.

Bob Kessler, a 20.4 scorer and strong rebounder, will be missing and so will John Sandbower, whose 8.8 average made him the third best. Replacing Kessler as the leader is the big problem. Best bet to do the job is Bob O'Brien, who scored 14 points a game and is deadly from the outside.

Gene Danko (6-2), a very promising sophomore, figures to be one of the top first-year men in the league. The center spot should resolve itself into a battle between Perry Moore (6-5) and Don Dunlap (6-5), with Moore holding a slight edge. John Nacincik (6-3) and Nick Davis (6-1) are other regulars who return. Davis as a sophomore averaged only 6.6 points a game and figures to do better than that. He is a very clever floor man.

Along with Danko the freshman team that had a 9-3 record will send up as leading prospects Jim Halleck (6-0) and Doc Weingarten (6-4). Millikan believes his sophomores will give the Terps more reserve strength than they had a year ago.

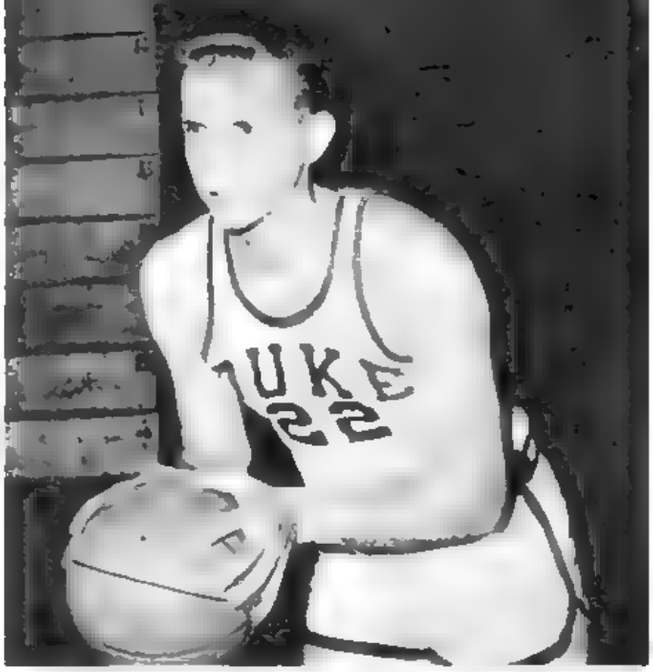
Any great improvement in the center play from Moore and Dunlap would make Maryland much stronger. Millikan no longer slows down play but stresses defense. Last season the Terps allowed only 64.8 point a game and should do just a well or better in that phase.

NICK DAVIS possesses a great variety of shots in role of Maryland guard.

BOB O'BRIEN, a deadly set shot, looms as key man in Terrapin attack.

BOB HARDY, vet guard, had 12.6 per game mark for Virginia last season.

BILL MILLER, 5-9 Va guard, is one of cleverest floor men in league.



BOBBY JOE HARRIS, 5-11 guard, is only starter back as Duke enters AAC wars with green team.

Bob Nardone (6-3) and John Love (6-0) are other reserves of last season who will see action.

DUKE—Losses were so heavy that there is little possibility of the Blue Devils' being a strong championship contender. Coach Hal Bradley believes it is possible to have a good team if the players available make up for their lack of experience with hustle

Expected losses were Ronnie Mayer, Joe Belmont, and Junior Morgan, regulars for three years Unexpected losses were Jack Kalbfus, Don Tobin, and Bob Lakata, all figured to be regulars but who won't be back in school.

Four juniors and a sophomore probably will make up the first team, and they will have to do most of the playing Reserve strength is a new problem for Bradley

Bobby Joe Harris, a 5-11 guard, is the only starter back. He is an outstanding shooter. Bucky Allen, a 6-1 junior who played very little, gets the other guard assignment. Jerry Robertson (6-6) has no challenge at center even though he is a sophomore Jim Newcome (6-5) and Paul Schmidt (6-4) are forwards. Newcome started some games last season and has the physical ability to become a standout It is up to him to provide the points and rebounding Mayer contributed for the past three seasons

Hayes Clement (6-6) saw little duty as a reserve center last season but could blossom with experience. Don Miller and George Barrett (6-4), sophomores, are reserves who will see much service even though they lack experience

VIRGINIA—Bus Male starts his sixth season as coach of the Cavaliers and for the first time isn't worried about lack of height for rebounding. Corrective measures for this deficiency were taken last season with the enrollment of six big men who will get lots of work as sophomores. Two of them, John Siewers (6-5 forward) and Herbert Busch (6-7 center) will be in the starting lineup. Prominent in reserve roles will be Bill Metzger (6-7), Bob Mortell (6-8), Dick Stobbs (6-3), and John Butler (6-1).

Male will build his team around a pair of tested guards Bob Hardy, with a 12 6 average, returns, and so does little Bill Miller, a 5-9 floor star who averaged 10.2 points. There isn't a more clever player in the conference than Miller Hardy is an even six feet

Wistar Nelligan (6-3), a reserve last season, should have one of the starting forward jobs opposite sophomore Siewers Cecil Underwood (6-2), Jerry Cooper (6-6), and Glenn Mitchell (6-3) are last-season reserves who will provide bench strength.

Male says, "I can't complain about the lack of height any more. We now have some for the first time and plan to make immediate and fullest use of it. We will have a better squad and should finish with a better record "

Last season the Cavaliers played without Miller for the first half and compiled a 10-17 record But they were tough by tournament time

SOUTH CAROLINA—How far the Gamecocks will go will depend a great deal on the performance of Fred Lentz, a 6-7 sophomore center who takes over for the graduated Lee Collins. It will be up to Lentz to handle the rebounding and defensive chores Collins took care of so well.

Coach Frank Johnson says, "We should be better offensively due chiefly to the addition of sharpshooting sophomores. Grady Wallace, who averaged 24 points a game last season, should improve. Defensively we could be weaker. The loss of Collins is going to lessen our rebounding strength. However, depth is considerably better and with experience our sophomores should help us have a better over-all record "

Dick Hoffman and Ray Pericola (both 6-2) are a pair of sophomore guards who are excellent shooters. Pericola is an outstanding floor man. The two should push senior Bobby McCoy (6-0) and junior Dean Crain (6-2) for starting jobs.

Wallace, of course, will be at one forward spot. He is a great outside shooter and former junior college scoring champion. Art Smejkal (6-4 senior) should be the other starting forward.

Don Grabow (6-5) and Don Goodroe (6-6) are other sophs who should see a lot of action as reserves. So should Marshall Perkins, a 6-4 junior.

CLEMSON—Only coaching change in the league is at Clemson where Press Maravich, former Aliquippa (Pa.) High coach, has taken over in place of Banks McFadden. The Tigers had the highest scoring average in the league (86 points a game) but also had the weakest defense, allowing 90.8 points. Maravich says he will concentrate on improving the defense, and his style of play calls for more control tactics.

The new coach will have to contend with the same problem that bothered McFadden—lack of rebounding strength. Gene Seay at 6-6 is tallest on the squad.

Bill Yarborough, a great scorer, will be eligible for the first 13 games and will pair with junior Vince Yockel (6-3) for a potent scoring duo. Yockel in his sophomore season averaged 20.9 points a game. Yarborough, a six-footer, hit for 18.7.

Pairing with Yockel at forward probably will be Ed Brinkley (6-5). Seay is the center. Tom Cameron (6-2), who averaged 13.8, will be with Yarborough at guard.

Leading sophomore hopefuls are forwards Doug Daigneault (6-2), Fred DeBerry (6-2), and Robert Lindsay (6-5) and guards Norman Carter (6-3) and Craig Hoffman (6-2).

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

WEST VIRGINIA—The Mountaineers will go after their third consecutive conference championship with the same starting team that was used in the NCAA playoffs after three seniors had to be dropped because of having played four varsity seasons.

Coach Fred Schaus believes Rod (Hot Rod) Hundley will have his greatest season in his senior year. This amazing young man averaged 26.6 points and restrained his clowning impulses until a game's outcome was settled. He should be a steadier performer and will be a leading candidate for anybody's All-America first team. He was a second-team selection last season on four of the leading picks.

Paired with him at forward will be Clayce Kishbaugh (6-2). Lloyd Sharrar (6-10) returns at center. Don Vincent and Joedy Gardner (both 6-1) are the leading guards. Reserves will be forward Don Eddy (6-5), center Marc Constantine (6-6), and guard Bob Smith (6-4). The freshman team posted a 14-3 record but was regarded as below par. The leading scorer from that outfit, Dave Coombs, won't be back. Players who will help in reserve roles are Ronnie Retton (5-8), Howie Schertzinger (6-5), and Bob Cloussin (6-5).

Schaus is banking on superior speed to make up for some expected loss in defense and rebounding. Hundley and Kishbaugh, natural guards, have been moved to forward positions and Schaus will adjust the attack accordingly.

GEORGE WASHINGTON—Coach Bill Reinhart will ask himself many times how he can get along without Joe Holup, the big center who was the backbone of the Colonials. Holup is gone along with two other regulars—Joe Petcavich and George Klein—and Jay Manning, a valuable reserve who averaged 10 points a game.

"We are in a rebuilding stage," says Reinhart. "We will have only one senior on the club and most of the players will be sophomores."

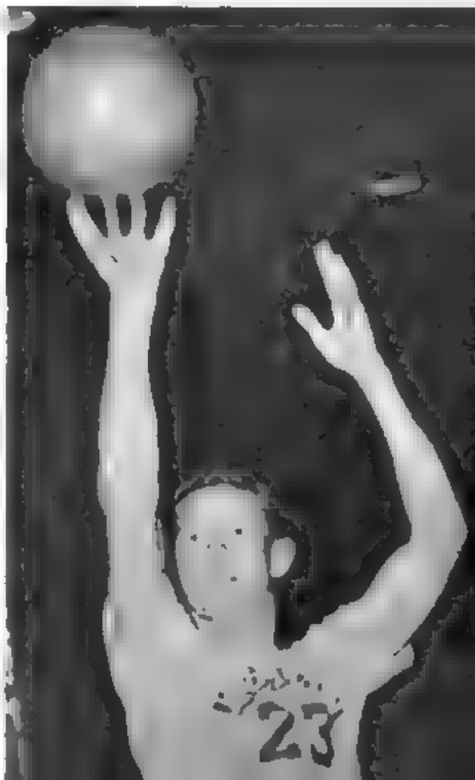
The senior is Ardie Baker (5-10) and he will have a hard time making the starting team. Bill

BOBBY McCOY, 6-foot senior, faces battle for So. Carolina guard post.

GRADY WALLACE, who hit 24 tallies per game, is key to Gamecock attack.

BILL YARBOROUGH is Clemson's big hope for fast getaway this season.

VINCE YOCKEL had 20.9 scoring average as soph forward on Clemson five.



LEE MARSHALL, W&L's 6-5 center, hooks one-hander in despite efforts of Richmond's Roy Peschel (51) in 78-76 win for Generals. Lee averaged 17.3 per game.

BOB HOITSMA clicked on 53.2 per cent of his shots as W&M forward and is one of vet quartet.

Telasky (6-2 guard) was a starter as a freshman and will be a key performer. John Jolly (6-6 junior) and Bill Fackler (6-4 sophomore) are leading forward candidates. Gene Guarilia (6-6 soph) gets the job of replacing Holup Pairing with Telasky at guard will be Howard (Bucky) McDonald (6-2)

Leading reserves will be Frank Morrison (6-5 junior), Richard Carroll (6-5 soph), Ron Dearden (6-4 soph), Ron Matalavage (6-3 soph) and Baker.

There is a possibility the Colonials will be a better shooting team than the one that led the nation in field goal accuracy. Holup was tremendous on rebounding and defense. The promising sophomores may be able to maintain team strength in these vital departments.

WASHINGTON AND LEE—No team in the conference will have more experience than the Generals, with four starters in their third season as regulars. The other will be starting his second.

Guard Dom Flora (6-2) will go into his junior season with 1,160 points. That's only 26 short of the national record for freshman-sophomore competition. He averaged 21.7 points last season and will make a strong bid for various all-star honors. With him at guard will be Barclay Smith, a 6-6 senior. Lee Marshall, a 6-5 senior who averaged 17.3, returns at center. The forwards are Barry Storick (6-3) and Frank Hoss (6-5).

This is almost the same team used two years ago, when the Generals became the conference surprise by winning 11 of their last 14. Last season injuries were the biggest cause for a slow start, but the team recovered to oust top-seeded George Washington in the championship tournament.

Coach Billy McCann says, "If we can manage to keep our boys in good shape and not have the injuries which crippled us last season, we could have a good year. The boys themselves are disappointed in their showing last year and for most of them this will be their last chance to put together an outstanding season."

Leading reserves will be Dave Nichols, 6-4 junior; Gene Girard, 6-4 soph; Jack Daughtrey, 6-3 soph; Gary McPherson, 6-0 junior; Charlie Broll, 5-7 soph, and Dave Schaefer, 6-1 soph.

WILLIAM AND MARY—Only the demands of a difficult schedule should prevent Boyd Baird's William and Mary Indians from enjoying a fine season. Four of five starters return along with a standout transfer and a Service returnee. There are some sophomores who will provide depth the Braves haven't boasted since the days of Chet Giermak.

Captain Jim Kaplan (6-1), Bob Hoitsma (6-3), Harry Cornell (6-6), and Bill Ouseley (5-10) are the returning starters. They figure Kaplan will average about 20 points a game and that Cornell will be improved after a fine sophomore season in which he scored 225 points. In Williamsburg they think Ouseley is the best guard in the State. Hoitsma is a deadly shooter who rebounds with men much taller.

The fifth starting job may bring a battle between Don Engelken (6-3), a starter two years ago before a Service call, and Al Miller, leading scorer for the University of Utah freshmen two years ago.

Leading prospects from the freshmen are Roy Lange (6-4), and Bob Tabscott, a 6-6 center. Bernie Goldstein, a 6-7 junior, has been hot and cold but will provide valuable reserve strength.

RICHMOND—Gone from Richmond are the stars who were brought in as freshmen and got to play from the start. That means a rebuilding job for

Coach Les Hooker, but he prepared for it last season by using reserves whenever he could.

Warren Mitchell, a 6-2 guard who averaged 9.3 points, is back to give Hooker one veteran starter. Phil Morris (6-2) may be the other starting guard since he played enough to average 6.3. Larry Rauppius (6-3) should be one of the starters at forward. The spot opposite him should develop into a hot fight between Roy Peschel (6-3) and Theryl Willis (6-6).

Curt Adkins (6-5) averaged 7.1 and gets the call at center. Hooker saw enough of these players to know they will do all right, but he says a possible team weakness will be depth, since the reserve punch will depend on untested freshmen. Butch Lambiotte (6-4 forward) and Wayne Cheek (6-7 center) appear to be the best newcomers.

Hooker believes his fast breaking attack should work well and that his team shooting will be good. He is worried about rebounding and outside shooting.

FURMAN—When Lyles Alley lost the great Frank Selvy he had Darrell Floyd ready to continue as the nation's highest individual scorer. Now Floyd is gone and the question in Greenville is whether Dick Wright, a 5-11 sophomore, will maintain the torrid pace. Wright averaged 16.7 points as a freshman and undoubtedly will be the leader in point-making.

The Purple Paladins averaged 89 points a game last Winter. Wright may approach the 33.8 average that gave Floyd the scoring championship but Alley must replace a couple of men who won letters for four seasons. They are playmaker Fred Fraley and center Bob Thomas.

Furman has two other lettermen in addition to Wright. They are forward Jimmie Herring (6-6) and center Steve Ross (6-9). Much of the team's success will depend on whether they attain their potential. The other two jobs may bring a four-way fight among Bob Gaines (6-1), Steve Benya (6-0), Joe Cooper (6-1), and J. C. Rhine.

Alley says, "I hardly see how we could be as strong with the loss of boys like Floyd, Fraley, and Thomas. Wright will be one of the best players we have had here and we will be using a generally younger and less experienced team."

The Paladins probably won't shoot as well but they could be better rebounding and about the same on defense.

VIRGINIA TECH—Chuck Noe did an excellent job in his first season with a 14-11 record. He faces the coming season with four starters back, but he fears the absentee may not be replaced. Bill Matthews is gone and also is much of the Gobblers' offensive punch. He averaged 20.8 points last season, more than double the output of the second best scorer. Terry Penn, a 5-9 guard who returns, averaged 10.2.

Jim Settles, a six-foot guard who averaged only 2.2 as a reserve, probably will step into Matthews' position. The other returning regulars along with Penn are forward Dave Kuhn (6-4), center and captain Clayton Coates (6-6), and forward John Quillen (6-6).

Last season the Gobblers gave up 69.1 points a game and scored 76.2. Noe believes his team will have to rely on its defensive skill and rebounding to make up for some possible weaknesses in shooting, speed, and depth.

DAVIDSON—Tom Scott must find some scoring punch among his inexperienced reserves. He lost All-Conference Hobby Cobb, who averaged 22.5 and got twice as many rebounds as any other player. Also missing will be Ray Harding, who averaged 14.9.

Semi Mintz, a star as a freshman last season, and Richard Weeks, the only senior on the starting team, have the best chance to take over the scoring

WARREN MITCHELL, vet nucleus, captains Richmond team at guard post.

CLAYTON COATES, 6-foot-6 center, captains strong array at Va. Tech.

DICK WRIGHT, 5-11 Furman soph who hit 16.7 as frosh, is being groomed in Selvy, Floyd tradition.

burden. Mintz is 6-2 but weighs only 145 while Weeks is only 5-9. Dave Hollingsworth, a 6-4 sophomore; Joe Milner, a 6-6 soph, and Sonny Ferguson, a 5-11 junior, round out the starting five.

Little help is expected from the incoming freshmen. Leading reserves will be forwards Mal McSwain (6-2), Mike Martin (6-3), and Lew Spears (6-3); center George Lyon (6-6), and guards John Morgan (6-0), Bill Ferguson (5-9), and Bob Baker (6-2).

Scott believes the Wildcats because of their inexperience may be a year away from their scoring potential.

VIRGINIA MILITARY—Coach Jack Null will have a team of lettermen but believes more experience is needed. Only two members of the squad are seniors. The Keydets won only four and lost 19 last season. Don Nyman, a guard who averaged 11.5 a game, is the only player lost. Null says, "We will make fewer defensive errors because of the added year of experience, but we are still green as college teams go. We need a little more height in the middle, and we could stand a lot of improvement in our shooting."

Bill Coupland (6-4) scored 314 points last season and will start at forward with Jim Lowe (6-3), who got 202. Chuck Cotton (6-4) is center. Chuck MacLeod (6-1) and Ralph Lawson (5-10) are guards. The leading reserves are Don Coombs (6-3), Jim Kyle (6-3), Lee Southard (6-5), Bobby Ross (5-9), and John Engels (5-11). Coombs, Kyle, and Ross are lettermen.

Little help is expected from the freshmen.

THE CITADEL—Norman Sloan, who played for Everett Case at North Carolina State, is the new coach of the Bulldogs, who won only two and lost 19 last season. It is obvious Sloan will have to rely on freshmen for any improvement.

He says the newcomers expected to help in the rebuilding are Larry Larson (6-3), Mike Moran (6-4), Jerry Records (6-4) and Bob Blackledge (6-8). Dick Harmening (6-3) and Dave Meitin (6-5) are expected to be the best of the holdovers.

Sloan expects defense and rebounding to be the team's best qualities with experience and shooting the weaknesses.

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE

WESTERN KENTUCKY—High optimism over the prospects of the Hilltoppers even extends to Coach Ed Diddle, who says he should have one of the national leaders. "We have the material," he says, "to develop one of the best teams in the nation, but let's wait and see what happens."

Diddle has been coaching 35 years and regards last season (16-12) as one of his worst. A big improvement is expected largely because Ralph Crosthwaite (6-8 freshman sensation of two years ago) is back after a year of ineligibility.

"If Crosthwaite continues to develop and is as good as he was as a freshman," says towel thrower

BILL COUPLAND, VMI forward, used fine push shot to hit 13.6 average.

OWEN LAWSON, West Ky. guard, is rated one of best in country by coach.

Diddle, "I think we will have nothing to complain about."

Ed certainly isn't complaining about his guards, Owen Lawson and Eric Beck, six-foot juniors he rates as "the finest pair of guards in the country." Bob Daniels (6-5) and Montro Holland (6-7), both experienced, form a potent forward duo. Crosthwaite will be the starting center.

Supporting this five will be forwards Stan Johnson (6-5), John McClearn (6-4), Willis Thompson (6-4), and Billy Case (6-3½) and guards Ronnie Clark (5-11) and Dean Day (5-10). Day, Johnson, and McClearn are sophomores.

EASTERN KENTUCKY—There is optimism, too, at Eastern Kentucky. Coach Paul McBrayer will field a starting team with no one under 6-2 and with strong scoring punch. Three regulars—Jack Adams, Ron Pellegrinon, and Dick Culbertson are gone, but there are adequate replacements. Four of the probable starters are juniors and the other is a sophomore.

At forward are Carl Wright (6-4) and Clayton Stivers (6-4). Bill Florence (6-8) will be at center. Guards are Jim Kiser (6-3) and Larry Wood, a 6-2 sophomore. The probable second team will have forwards Hugh Gabbard (6-5 soph) and J. D. Brock (6-4) senior; center Bernie Kotula (6-8 soph) or Virgil Butler (6-7 soph), and guards Ray Vencill (6-1 soph) and Joe Bowles (6-1 soph).

McBrayer says Florence, who played well in 11 games last year, and Butler and Kotula will determine the strength of the team. Good shooting and over-all team speed are the big assets. Defense and experience are the question marks.

MOREHEAD STATE—The Eagles proudly open a new field house seating 5,000 and expect to have a strong team. Morehead had a 19-10 record last

season and represented the league in the NCAA tournament.

Coach Bob Laughlin says, "We'll be about as strong as last year. We might not score quite as many points, but we'll be bigger and stronger defensively." A cut in point production can be made without serious damage since the Eagles set an NCAA record by averaging 95.6.

From the eight returning lettermen the probable starting five will come. Steve Hamilton (6-7) will be one forward. Either Dave Keleher (6-6) or Jim Jewell (6-5) will be the other. Bernie Shimfessel (6-8) or Thornton Hill (6-6½) will start at center. Harlan (Fats) Tolle (5-10) will be guard and the other one will be either Gene Carroll (6-3) or John Thompson (6-2).

MURRAY STATE—Coach Rex Alexander starts without his three top scorers of a year ago and finding replacements from reserves, sophomores, transfers, and freshmen will be his big job.

Likely starters are forwards Francis Watrous (6-4) and John Powless (6-5); center Quitman Sullins (6-9), and guards Terry Darnell (6-2½) and Sherrell Marginet (6-0). Backing them up will be forwards Tom Darnell (6-3) and Ken Wray (6-3); center Don Wyatt (6-6), and guards Dale Alexander (6-1) and Charles Nickols (6-1).

Alexander says the dependence on unproved players makes the outlook unpredictable but "greater depth and the fine record of the freshmen are expected to aid the Thoroughbred cause."

TENNESSEE TECH—John Oldham is starting his second season with an experienced team backed up by promising sophomores who provide more rebounding strength and depth. Center Herbie Merritt and guard Kenny Sidwell, both of whom averaged more than 18 points, are the scoring leaders. Bobby Wall (6-3) and Don Sexton (6-2) are leading forwards. Noble Patton (5-10) will pair with Sidwell at guard.

Sophomores who will help the 6-7 Merritt in rebounding are Ken Waddlec (6-4) and Don Gish (6-5), centers, and Larry McDonald (6-4 forward). Dale Phelps (6-2) and Jerry Keller (5-11) are sophomore guards who will push Patton and Sidwell. As freshmen, Phelps, Gish, and McDonald each averaged 19 points a game.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE—Another Diddle regime begins in the Ohio Valley Conference as Ed Diddle Jr. fields his first Middle Tennessee team. He figures it will be a rebuilding season since "there will be only three returning lettermen and the remaining boys are untried transfer students."

Jim Burks (6-8 center), Frank Davis (6-5 forward), and Chester Adair (5-10 guard) are the returnees. The newcomers are center Jerry Hurst (6-7), forward Charles Manar (6-6), forward Bobby Hatcher (6-6), forward-center John Price (6-4), and forward-guard Bob Williamson (6-4).

Every position is wide open. The squad has adequate height but is short on experience.

MASON-DIXON CONFERENCE

MOUNT SAINT MARY'S—The Mounties have won the conference title for the past three years and figure to make it four in a row. All but two members of the 12-man squad that scored more than 100 points in each of its three conference tournament games return.

Jack Sullivan, a 6-4 senior who has scored 1,602 points and averaged 23.1 last season, is the leader. The Mounts won 20 and lost nine last season, and seven of those defeats came when Sullivan was out of the lineup with injuries. He holds all school scoring records except those on free throws.

Bill Williams, a 6-6 junior who averaged 10.7, returns at center. Burt Sheing, a 5-11 soph with a 10.9 average, is the other regular back. He is a guard and will team there with Tom Mullen, a 5-10 soph. The forwards will be Sullivan and Jerry Bohlinger, a 6-6 soph.

Coach Jim Phelan expects to have good shooting and board strength. Although the team averaged 89.2 points a game, he stresses defense and will be strong in that department. A banner group of freshmen will boost reserve strength.

LOYOLA—If last season's reserves can fill the shoes of the top three scorers, Loyola of Baltimore will be able to match its 19-9 record. Returning from the starting five are forward Paul Dodd (6-2) and center Jim Staiti (6-5). Expected to fill the other starting positions are forward Denny McGuire (6-4) and guards Gene Grimes (5-10), Earl Hamper (5-10), and Jack Benzing (6-2). Harp Fitzgerald (6-3) and George Leyh (6-1) are other reserves who will battle for starting jobs.

Seven of the first eight players will be seniors. Jack Cummings and Tom Keys are newcomers to the varsity squad likely to see the most action. Defense and a lack of an outstanding outside shot are possible team weaknesses.

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY—Despite the loss of three regulars American expects to be a contender for conference honors. Coach Hugo Schulze expects newcomers to strengthen the team considerably.

The probable starters are Joel Comito (6-1) and Frank Weiss (6-3), forwards; William Sass (6-5), center, and Eugene Johnson (6-3) and Richard Wells (6-3), guards. George Sugars (6-1), Wally Ryland (6-3), Robert Brown (6-4), and Bill O'Brien (5-11) will be valuable reserves.

The team should be fast and score well. Defense may provide some problems.

ROANOKE—A more balanced attack is expected to make up for the loss of Dave Folz, the team's leading scorer and rebounder. He poured in 468 points last season as Roanoke posted a 14-11 record. Probable starters are Dick Sperger and Bob Stephens, forwards; Charles Bruno, center, and Bill Toomy and Joe Quaratella, guards. Getting rebounding strength to make up for the loss of Foltz will be one of the major problems.

WILT CHAMBERLAIN (25), seven-foot Kansas soph, rebounds over Ron Loneski, another standout soph.

THE STILT gathers ball in and gets set for famous dunk shot during practice game among Jayhawk frosh.

UP AND IN goes ball as defense fails to stop Wilt.

SWISH goes net and here's why KU figures right at top.

HAROLD ALCORN, St. Louis guard who averaged 11.3, eludes Jack deKubber as Bill's top Wash., 85-77.

JACK MIMLITZ, junior forward in St. Louis title bid, turns on speed as he drives past Okla. Aggies' Nutt.

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Big Seven and Missouri Valley

WILT THE STILT MAIN PROP AS KANSAS ERECTS BIG 7 AND NCAA CHAMP

PREDICTIONS

Big Seven	Missouri Valley
1. Kansas	1. St. Louis
2. Kansas State	2. Bradley
3. Iowa State	3. Oklahoma A&M
4. Missouri	4. Wichita
5. Oklahoma	5. Tulsa
6. Nebraska	6. Houston
7. Colorado	7. Detroit
	8. Drake

Independents	North Central
1. Oklahoma City	1. So. Dakota State
2. Washington U. (St. Louis)	2. North Dakota U.
3. Omaha	3. South Dakota U.
4. Creighton	4. Iowa Teachers
	5. No. Dakota State
	6. Augustana
	7. Morningside

THERE figures to be roughly seven feet of difference between Kansas and other basketball powers in the Big Seven-Missouri Valley area. The seven feet represents the height of Wilt Chamberlain, and the difference is that Kansas has him and the others don't.

Chamberlain is only a sophomore, and hasn't yet appeared in a varsity box score. But he already is a player of almost interplanetary distinction, and to most observers the presence of the fabulous Philadelphian makes a Kansas title in the Big Seven race a foregone conclusion.

The giant Negro center, tabbed by many as better than San Francisco's Bill Russell, may have erased all doubt about the Big Seven race, but such isn't the case in the Missouri Valley.

The Valley has three prime contenders in St. Louis, Bradley and Oklahoma A&M, and at least two more dark horse possibilities in Wichita and Tulsa. They're ranked in that order, but the league may enjoy the wildest sort of title fight.

There is much the same situation in the North Central Conference, where South Dakota State is favored to overcome stern bids from North Dakota, South Dakota and Iowa Teachers.

Oklahoma City University, which didn't graduate a starter or a front-line reserve, ranks again as the class of the area's independents.

Seven new coaches are on the area rolls, and one is expected to make a particularly rousing debut. He's Dick Harp, who takes over from Phog Allen at Kansas. Harp has been assistant at KU since 1949 and is highly regarded in the coaching fraternity.

The Big Seven has one more new coach, Russell "Sox" Walseth at Colorado. The Missouri Valley has three—Chuck Orsburn at Bradley, Guy Lewis at Houston and John Bennington at Drake. The North Central has a pair in Jim Iverson, who replaced Walseth at South Dakota State, and Jim Witham at Iowa Teachers.

Not everybody is conceding the Big Seven title to Kansas, despite "Wilt the Stilt." There is sound basis for this sort of reasoning, because the league packs more power than it has in many years. Three of its teams could gain high national ranking.

Kansas State's defending champions have a solid nucleus returning, and coach Tex Winter also has good replacements. Iowa State, which tied for second last season, returns all but one starter and is counting on more help from at least two standout sophomores.

Missouri, minus a big pivot man and league scoring champ Norm Stewart, still has enough left to give trouble, and Oklahoma ranks as one of the most improved squads in the area.

Valley teams, too, will bid strongly for national recognition. St. Louis and Bradley both have fine size and over-all ability. Oklahoma A&M, launching its 23rd season under Hank Iba, will lean heavily on sophomores but could surprise and take the title.

Defending champion Houston, stripped of seven-foot Don Boldebuck and three other starters, isn't figured to contend for the title this time, although the Cougars may nudge in ahead of Detroit and Drake. The latter is back in Valley play for the first time since 1951, but material is thin.

BIG SEVEN CONFERENCE

KANSAS—This should be one of the finest teams in the country, and Wilt Chamberlain is not the sole reason. The Jayhawks return every starter who finished last season, have two great sophomores in the seven-foot Chamberlain and Ronnie Loneski, and four other rookies good enough to help.

Chamberlain, of course, is the player counted on most in KU's plans to hang the National Collegiate banner atop Mt. Oread. He scored 2,252 points at Overbrook High in Philadelphia, and then quickly erased all doubts as to his ability in his first official appearance in Kansas.

In the Freshman-Varsity game last Winter, played before a record turnout of 14,000, he scored 42 points and got 29 rebounds in leading the Frosh to an 81-71 victory. The triumph was the first for the Yearlings in the series dating back to 1923. Wilt hit 16 of his 33 field goal attempts for 46 per cent and 10 of 13 free throws.

Chamberlain is only an average shooter, but can run and jump, and has stamina. He seldom fouls, and usually can be counted on to go all the way. The lean 230-pounder shouldn't be bothered too much by the new rule against funneling, since his specialty is dunking, off his own maneuvers and with rebounds, rather than guiding in shots of teammates.

Wilt is agile, a good passer, and is expected to improve his defense steadily. So far, he has done nothing to discredit the idea he is the best prospect in the game's history.

If Chamberlain weren't around, Loneski, a 6-4½ southpaw from Calumet City, Ill., would be getting considerably more rave notices. As it is, he'll keep the defenses honest with his left-handed jump shooting. He also is a good rebounder and defensive player, and quick and fast enough to handle his end of the fast break.

Loneski will go at forward, where he'll have to battle two of last season's regulars, plus two more who shared starting duty. Senior Gene Elstun (6-3), who ranked 13th in the Big Seven in scoring with a 14-point average, and Lew Johnson (6-6½), last season's starting center, are top candidates. Behind them are seniors Lee Green (6-5) and Ron Johnston (6-2), and sophomores Lynn Kindred (6-3), Gary Thompson (6-3) and Monte Johnson (6-4).

The lineup is just as impressive at guard. Maurice King (6-2), ranked seventh in league scoring at 15.3, will be back to team with speedster Johnny Parker (5-10). Also available are John Cleland (6-2), Eddie Dater (6-1½), Blaine Hollinger (5-10) and sophomore Bob Billings (5-10).

In this squad, new coach Dick Harp will have fine depth, individual brilliance, tremendous shooting power and outstanding backboard play. If there are any weaknesses, they are a defense that could be improved and team speed that may be a little below the level Harp desires.

Kansas will play a tough early-season schedule that will be an ideal developing ground for blending the seniors and sophomores, and for plugging the defensive weaknesses. In all other respects, this club is ready.

King, an all-Big Seven choice last season, should be better than ever, and veterans like Elstun and Johnson should enjoy their best season with the help they'll have.

Kansas is a solid choice to go far, not only in the Big Seven, but also in post-season play.

KANSAS STATE—Under normal circumstances, Kansas State would be a heavy favorite to repeat as Big Seven champion. But the presence of Chamberlain at Kansas makes this squad rank second, despite the fact three regulars are back and the sophomore crop is so good two of them are expected to start.

Jack Parr, 6-9 junior center who ranked fourth in league scoring with a 17.1 average, leads the returnees. Two other starters back are juniors Hayden Abbott (6-3½) at forward and Roy DeWitz (6-2) at guard. The three last year ranked among the league's outstanding sophomores.

Other returnees at forward are Larry Fischer (6-4) and Bob Jedwabny (6-5). Also back at guard are Jack Kiddoo (6-0), Dean Plagge (6-3), Eddie Wallace (5-9) and Don Richards (6-1). Wallace flamed into brilliance in the NCAA playoffs last March, and probably has earned himself a starting berth opposite DeWitz.

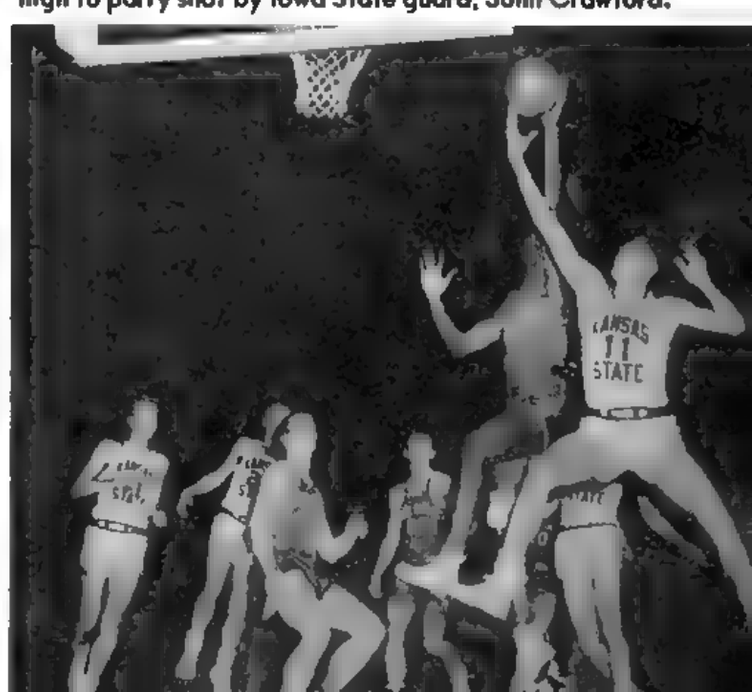
Top soph is forward Bob Boozer (6-7) who will be used also as Parr's relief. Another stand-

GENE ELSTUN, Kansas co-captain, has 14-point average for forward bid.

JOHN PARKER, speedy 5-10 Kansas guard fills role of co-captain also.

JACK PARR, 6-9 pivot, leads experienced array in K-State title defense.

ROY DeWITZ (11), 6-2 Kansas State forward, leaps high to parry shot by Iowa State guard, John Crawford.



out is Jim Holwerda, a six-foot guard. Others likely to see a lot of action are forwards Bob Merten (6-3½) and Chuck Hollinger (6-4), and guard Don Matuszak (5-11).

Abbott, who tailed off last season after a great start, probably will start at forward with Boozer. Abbott's early surge helped the Wildcats to their title-winning 9-3 conference record, and his 11.1 average was good for 18th in league play.

Coach Fred "Tex" Winter says he may have to make room on the starting five for Holwerda, one of the best backline prospects K-State ever corraled.

The squad has fine depth and speed, and should be greatly improved in rebounding with Boozer around to help Parr. The Wildcats led the Big Seven in defense, and that department should hold up well again.

This definitely is the squad Kansas will fear most in its bid for the championship.

IOWA STATE—The Cyclones return four starters, another player who shared starting duty last season, and boast three fine sophomores. I-State also has one of the country's finest "little" men in Gary Thompson, 5-10 guard who is quick, a nimble playmaker and a versatile scorer. He finished fifth on the league scoring list with a 16.8 average.

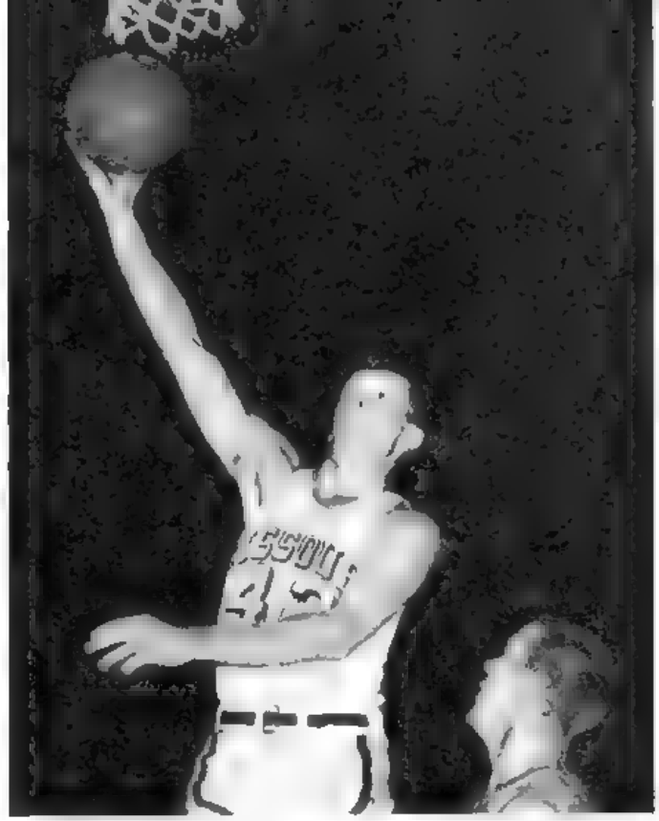
The Cyclones finished with an 18-5 record overall and an 8-4 conference mark that was good for a tie for second. Coach Bill Strannigan's squad should be even better this season, although it may not improve on those marks.

Last season's starting forwards, John Crawford (6-5) and Chuck Vogt (6-6), are back, along with center Don Medsker (6-8) and guard Lyle Frahm (6-1), who shared starting duty with graduated Arnie Gaarde. Crawford was 11th in league scoring with 14.2; Medsker 19th at 10.9; Vogt 21st at 10.4.

Three sophomores, who have the veterans worried, are Fred Boshela, 6-4 forward; John Krocheskie, 6-6 center; and Ron Baukol, 5-10 guard. Boshela and Baukol are expected to make serious bids for starting berths, and Krocheski should provide plenty of breathers for Medsker.

GARY THOMPSON looms as greatest scorer at Iowa St. 778 in 2 yrs.

DON MEDSKER, 6-8, is top-flight rebounder and high scorer for Iowa St.



BILL ROSS, Missouri forward who ranked 12th among Big Seven scorers with 14.1 average, tallies on layup.

Vogt, Crawford and Boshela will battle it out at forward. Medsker, backed by Krocheski, will be the center, and Baukol is expected to join Thompson as a starting guard, with Frahm close behind.

This will give the Cyclones terrific size in the front line, and greatly-improved squad strength. And in Thompson, Iowa State will have the finest floor general in the league.

Here is another squad which will bid seriously for national recognition, and one which could talk seriously in title terms if Kansas and Chamberlain weren't around. By the same token, it is one which could surprise both Kansas and Kansas State if any league team is to do it.

MISSOURI—The graduation of two key players, guard Norman Stewart and center Chuck Denny, will be felt at Missouri because replacements aren't expected to match these two veterans, particularly the brilliant Stewart. The big blond led the league in scoring last season with a 24.5 average. Denny, though not a standout like Stewart, was a steady performer, a fair scorer and a wicked rebounder.

Eleven returnees and two well-regarded sophomore prospects ease the pain a little for coach Wilbur (Sparky) Stalcup, but there is a big problem at center. The probable starter is John Stephens (6-5½), who was Denny's understudy.

Also available is Arnold Kaestner (6-7), squadman last season, but Missouri probably will suffer

LEROY BACHER, with 17.9 average, gives Okla. terrific scoring punch.

JOE KING is other half of Sooner 1-2 sock with 18.3 per-game mark.

from lack of height and scoring punch at the important pivot position. The Tigers also will miss Denny's rebounding.

The situation isn't so bleak at other positions, despite the loss of Stewart. Lionel Smith (6-2½), No. 6 scorer in the conference with a 16.4 average, returns at guard. At forwards, Mizzou has Bill Ross (6-2), who ranked 12th with a 14.1 average, and Roger Egelhoff (6-3½), who was 25th with 8.3.

A 6-3 sophomore, Sonny Siebert, is ranked the class of the rookie crop, and he may step into the starting lineup opposite Smith. Another sophomore drawing attention is lanky Chuck Duren (6-6), who is being groomed for duty at forward. Other returnees include Eddie Richards (6-1½), Paul Stehr (5-11), Jon Paden (6-2½), Jim Cotter 6-0) and Eddie Ronsick (6-4).

The Tigers are expected to play a ball-control game and to make considerable trouble in the league, but they aren't expected to equal their 15-7 record of last season. Squad depth and the good shooting of Ross, Egelhoff and Smith are Missouri's brightest spots.

BOB HELZER, Colorado, leaps to take rebound in cage clash with Nebraska.

JIM JOCHEMS provides 6-7 skill as Colorado's lone experienced center.

OKLAHOMA—The Sooners last season won only four of 23 games and only one of 12 conference games. But they didn't lose a single letterman. This fact, coupled to a rangy sophomore class, makes Oklahoma check in as possibly the most improved squad in the conference.

Two of the biggest reasons for this analysis are forward Joe King (6-6½) and center Leroy Bacher (6-5½) who last year furnished the best 1-2 scoring punch in the conference. King ranked second with an 18.3 average; Bacher third with 17.9

Other holdovers are Ed Abbey (6 4), Max Claborne (6-0), Joe Jones (6-1½), Art Kell (5-10), Lannie Anderson (6-3½) and Bill Pinkerton (6-4).

However, two sophomores and a transfer student are expected to join King and Bacher on the starting five. Coach Doyle Parrack, starting his second season at OU, may solve his backline problems with Jim Rodgers and Dick Bass, a pair of 5-10 sophomores. Gene Hudson (6-3), a transfer from Oklahoma City University, may start opposite King at forward.

Parrack has an impressive sophomore crop to speed his rebuilding job. Twelve of his rookies stand 6-4 or better, and one of them is Bob Stoermer, 6-8 center, who should provide valuable relief for King and Bacher, alleviating foul griefs which hurt the Sooners last season.

Oklahoma isn't rated good enough to contend for the title, but the Sooners are expected to quit the cellar. They improved steadily last season and when King and Bacher are hot they'll give any team a bad time.

NEBRASKA—With more depth and height, the Huskers hope to better their 7-16 record of last season and their 3-9 conference mark that lodged them in sixth place. Veterans are back to fill all but one position, but that one is the pesky center berth that long has been a Husker sore spot.

Coach Jerry Bush has Rex Ekwall and Don Smidt, both 6-4, back at forwards, and they're capable. Ekwall ranked ninth in league scoring with a 14.8 average, and Smidt was 14th at 11.8.

Jim Kubacki, a 5-10 speedster, will return at one guard, and two other holdovers, Gary Reimers (5-11) and Billy Wells (5-11) will scrap with the newcomers for the call at the other guard. Ekwall, Smidt and Kubacki were starters last season.

At center, Bush has Terry Howard (6-7), who came along well late last season, and sophomore Ron Parsons (6-7). Parsons may win the starting berth, but Nebraska plans to run this season and Bush, taking advantage of added depth, figures on keeping 10 players busy.

Other returning squadmen include three 6-3 forwards—Jim Arwood, Dudley Doebele and Lyle Nannen. The top sophomores, in addition to Parsons, are forwards Bob Harry (6-5), George Swank (6-6) and Bob Finn (6-3), and guard Larry White (6-0).

Ekwall, a good rebounder and close-range shooter who was Nebraska's center much of last

season, should have another good year. The Huskers' big problem still is at center, however, and they'll have trouble coping with the rest of the pivot men in the league.

COLORADO—Everything points to a lean year for the Buffs. Not a single full-time starter returns and this inexperience, leaves new coach Russell "Sox" Walseth little reason to smile. Bob Helzer, 6-2 forward, and Dave Mowbray, 6-1 guard, both part-time starters, and 6-4 forward Jim Cadle are the only holdovers with much game experience.

Helzer and Cadle are likely starters at forward. Jim Jochems, 6-7 squadman, is the only center returning with any experience at all. Frank Wilcox, a seven-footer who tried it last year without much success, may return but he doesn't figure in present plans. Two sophomores—Matt Baskin (6-7) and Don Walker (6-6)—may move into the picture, but the problem at pivot is one that isn't likely to be licked all season.

Dick Nicholson, 6-3 letterman, probably will start at guard opposite Mowbray. Other squadmen available are Joe Gingrich (6-1), Gordon Johnson (6-1) and George Redhair (6-1). Walt Bradley (6-4), a transfer from Iowa State, may provide help at forward.

Other sophs who may work in are forwards Leo Hayward (6-4) and Dave Michaelson (6-3), and a pair of 6-0 guards, Jerry Schroeder and Dale Harris.

MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

ST. LOUIS—The Billikens graduated their two leading scorers, but on the strength of returning lettermen and a pack of standout newcomers they're picked to emerge winner in the tight Valley race.

Gone are first team All-Conference selections Grady Smith, who had an 18.9 average, and Jim McLaughlin, who scored at a 16.9 clip. But the returnees and newcomers are tall, talented and numerous.

The probable starters at forward are Jack Mimlitz (6-3) who had an 8.4 average, and 6-6 Cal Burnett, a sophomore returning from military service. The center could be Al Serkin (6-7), who had a 10.6 average, but he probably will have to move over for Bob Ferry (6-8) standout of a brilliant sophomore crop. Harold Alcorn (6-0), an 11.3 scorer and team captain Joe Todd (6-3), who fashioned a 12.8 average, are probable starting guards.

Another letterman returning is 5-10 guard Don Stanton. Two returning squadmen are forward Larry Smith (6-3) and guard Bill Wynn (6-1). Bill Harless, a 6-1 guard, is a transfer who will be eligible this season.

Other sophomores expected to press the veterans and give this squad tremendous depth are forwards John Messick (6-5), Don Hake (6-4) and Steve Redshaw (6-4); and guards Rich Rogers (6-2) and Ron Flood (6-1). Redshaw, Rogers and Flood, along with Ferry, are key sophomores in St. Louis plans.

The Billikens appear to have everything except a glaring weakness. They'll be long on speed and reserve power, and will boast more height than at any time in the past six years. If the sophomores, plus Burnett, come through, veteran coach Eddie Hickey's gang is figured to better last season's 18-7 record and 8-4 conference level.

Also in sight is another post-season tournament appearance. The Bills last season lost in the first round of the National Invitation.

BRADLEY—Hopes run high for the Braves and not without good reason. There's a new head coach in Chuck Orsborn, who moves up from the freshmen, but there also are enough familiar faces on the varsity to make Bradley a serious title threat.

Bradley's hopes seem to ride with forwards Barney Cable (6-7) and Shellie McMillon (6-5). As sophomores, they led the way as the Braves got off to a fast start. And when they were lost in mid-year, Bradley went into a prolonged nosedive.

With Cable and McMillon, the Braves won 12 of their first 17. After they were sidelined, Bradley won one of its remaining nine. Cable was cut down by the scholastic scythe, McMillon by a knee injury.

Both are back, eligible and in good shape, and Cable is being hailed as the finest prospect in Bradley basketball history. An example is the last game he played last season, at Marquette, in which he got 25 points and 28 rebounds.

The center probably will be Gene Herberger (6-9) and the guards Charlie Sedgwick (6-0) and Bobby Joe Mason, a 6-2 sophomore who was an All-Stater for Centralia, Ill.

Behind that five, Orsborn can call on Dave Emerson (6-7) at center or forward, and 6-5 forward Dick Dhabalt. Reserve guards are Curley Johnson (6-0), Don Groves (6-1) and Gene Morse (6-3). Mason and Morse are the only sophomores figuring high in Bradley plans.

CHUCK SEDGWICK, 6-1 Bradley guard, is foremost Braves' playmaker.

JOE TODD, 6-4 guard, captains St. Louis bid for the Missouri Valley title.

The squad will have poise and depth, and tremendous scoring and rebounding power. The Braves frankly feel they can go all the way, and they may make it.

OKLAHOMA A&M—One of the finest groups of sophomores in Aggie basketball history will determine how far Hank Iba's 23rd A&M squad will go. If the rookies come anywhere near expectations, the Aggies will be in the title fight from the start.

Three 6-8 standouts lead the list. Arlen Clark, playing at forward, led the frosh in scoring. Travis Slaton, an All-America high school selection, is the center, and behind him is Jim Nichols. The three big boys have Aggieland excited, but they're still saving some applause for Jerry Adair (6-2), ranked by Iba as one of the finest prospects he ever had, and for guards Wayland O'Neal (6-1) and Larry Deutschendorf (6-1).

This gang of sophs is easing the sting of heavy graduation losses, which included Mack Carter, last season's top scorer.

Jerry Hale, 6-4 junior, probably will team with Clark at the forwards. Slaton is expected to be starting center, and senior Mel Wright (6-1) and Adair the guards. Wright had an 11.2 average last season.

It's clear that sophomores hold the key for the Aggies, and that inexperience will be the big problem. But the squad will have more depth than in many seasons, will pack more scoring punch, and will have the same strangling defense that last year allowed 52.8 points per game to rank second in the nation.

The Aggies last season finished 8-4 in the conference, tying St. Louis for second, and were 18-9 overall. Iba has dipped below .500 only once in his long career, and there is no reason to think it will happen again this season.

WICHITA—The Shockers have the same old problem at pivot, but they'll present their opponents with an old problem, too, in guard Joe Stevens. As long as Stevens is around, Valley foes are inclined to term Wichita a contender. The six-foot junior averaged 19.9 points per conference game and was a cinch All-Valley selection.

Coach Ralph Miller hopes he has the answer to the pivot problem in Everett Wessel (6-9½), a sophomore who must improve, and Miller believes he will.

Senior Garry Mann (6-3) and junior Don Woodworth (6-4) will be back at forwards, and either Calvin Schwartzkoph, 6-2 junior, or Sy Rosdietcher, 6-3 soph, will get the starting call at guard opposite Stevens.

Behind Wessel at center are senior Herbie Coin (6-7) and sophomore Lynn Voth (6-8). Another top reserve is Ronnie Dwyer, 6-3 junior transfer from Oklahoma. Just out of military service, Dwyer was a starter for the Sooners three years ago.

The problem at center leaves the rebounding and defensive strength of the Shockers question marks, but the squad will boast some of the league's best outside shooting. With Stevens leading the firing, this department is ranked Wichita's strongest.

TULSA—Eight sophomores are among the 13 players counted on to make the Golden Hurricane blow stronger this season, and with more endurance. Only three lettermen return, but the sophomore crop is regarded as one of the finest Tulsa has produced.

Two of the rookies, Jack Pontius (6-5) and Leland Harms (6-7) will battle for the pivot position, at least in the first semester. Charles Marlen (6-8), another soph, becomes eligible at the semester and will be the tallest varsity player coach Clarence Iba has had in his eight years at Tulsa.

Veterans Clester Harrington (6-4) and Jerry Evans (6-1) probably will be the starting forwards, and senior Junior Born (5-10) will be back at guard. Sophomore Billy Hogue (5-10), a returnee from military service, is the leading candidate at the other guard.

The other top sophomores are Pete Collier (6-5), Porter DeWitt (6-5), Roger Wendell (5-9) and

JOE STEVENS, Wichita guard with 19.9 average, figures All-Valley cinch.

DON WOODWORTH, 6-4 forward, is one of pair of Wichita front line vets.

DAN DOTSON, Houston's key man, snares rebound in win over Tulsa.

DEAN EVANS clicked on 41.5 per cent of shots for MVC champ Houston.

Dick Downer (6-1). Junior Jimmy Jones (6-1) and senior Duane Downer (6-1) are a pair of dependable veteran reserves.

Iba will have to combat inexperience, but is expected to build another solid defense. Last year Tulsa ranked fourth in the nation in defense while moving to a 4-8 record in Valley play and a 16-10 over-all record.

HOUSTON—Four starters are gone from last season's conference champs, and the biggest gap was left by seven-foot Don Boldebuck. The Cougars will have to place much of their hopes on junior college transfers and on a center who was ineligible last year.

The new faces include coach Guy Lewis, who moved up from the assistant's post. The lone returning starter is senior Dan Dotson (6-3) and his 13-point average will be welcome.

Junior college grads expected to beef up Houston considerably are Russell Boone (6-5), a two-time All-America at Tyler, Tex., Junior College; and Doc Jones (6-0) from Wharton, Tex., Junior College. Ray Patoprsty (6-7) was ineligible last season but he's ready to go this year. He'll move into Boldebuck's spot, and how well he does probably will determine how well Houston does.

Two other sophomores are in the picture. They are Jimmy Ash (6-3) and Larry Byrd (6-1½). Returning squadmen include forward Dean Evans (6-3), center Harlow Tucker (6-4) and guards Andy McElveen (6-0) and Sam Sells (5-9). The likely starting lineup has Boone and Evans at forwards. Patoprsty at center and Dotson and McElveen at guards.

Houston should get good rebounding from its front line, and the outside shooting of Dotson will be a big factor. But the squad lacks experience, and won't be deep in capable reserves.

DETROIT—Only three lettermen return to coach Bob Calihan, but two of them—forward Bill Ebben and center Don Haase—were the best performers on last season's starting five. Many tap Ebben as Detroit's all-time best, and all over the league he is regarded as one of its brightest individual stars.

MIKE WALSH, only 5-10, was ball of fire as soph Detroit guard last year.

BILL EBBEN, Detroit's top scorer and rebounder, is All-America candidate.

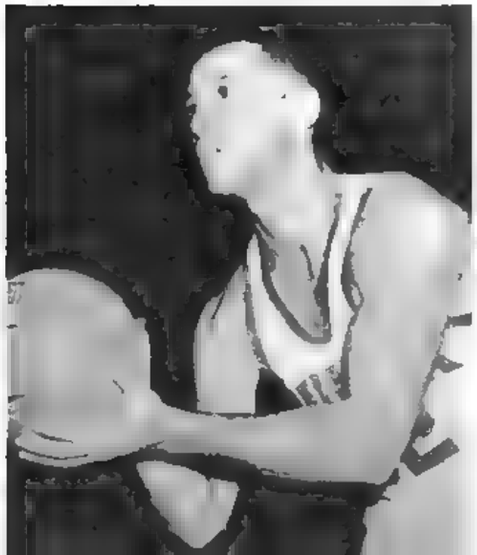
The 6-4 senior scored 591 points in 25 games for a 23.6 average and a new school record. He ranked 20th in the nation, dipped under 20 points only four times, and was the only junior on the All-Conference team selected by the coaches.

Haase, a 6-6 and senior, was the squad's No. 2 scorer with a 13-point average, and also ranked right behind Ebben in rebounds. Haase was a late starter, averaging around 18 points for the last 12 games.

Calihan has a problem on the back line, where graduation took Ralph Goldstein and Dan Halling, starters in every game for three seasons. Mike Walsh (5-10), the squad's standout sophomore last season and a fierce competitor, is expected to be one of the starters. The other probably will be 6-5 sophomore Allen Kelly. At forward opposite Ebben, Calihan probably will call on Bob Butka (6-4), a junior. Another top candidate is Ray Gilboy, 6-4 sophomore.

Detroit's strong points will be its speed and the return of its scoring and rebounding punch, provided by Ebben and Haase. But the squad will lack over-all experience and depth, and Haase, at 6-6, will have trouble dealing with some of the towering pivot men other Valley schools will send against him.

JUNIOR BORN, Tulsa guard, was voted MVP in Oklahoma City Tourney.



RED MURRELL, star Drake forward, set school marks with fine jump shot.

DRAKE—Eight lettermen and coach Jack McClelland are missing this season, and the manpower situation is nothing to cause new coach John Bennington to smile. Three lettermen return, and the standout is Red Murrell, 6-4 forward who averaged 16 points last season and hit a school record 41 against St. Louis. The other two are Jim Carey and Kent Gaer, a pair of six-foot reserve guards last season.

Three returning squad members are forwards Bill Bolen (6-2) and Bill Linke (6-2), and center Marlow Eckhoff (6-5), a transfer from Iowa.

The Bulldogs have a 6-9 sophomore in Bill Engel, and two more fine prospects in Mel Olson (6-2), a good shooter and rebounder, and Bob Hurlburg (6-0), a guard.

Bennington, who was assistant at Michigan State six years and captain of the 1949 San Francisco

team that won the National Invitation tournament title, leads Drake back into full-schedule Valley play for the first time since 1951.

With lack of height, inexperience and thin reserves looming as problems, Drake isn't expected to make much of a splash in the Valley race.

INDEPENDENTS

OKLAHOMA CITY—The towering Chiefs appear a cinch to make their annual trip to the National Collegiate playoffs and to better their 20-7 record of last season.

The reason: All five starters, including 6-10 Hubert Reed, return, along with 6-5 Leon Griffin, last season's top substitute. The other starters back are 6-6 Roger Holloway and 6-5 Lyndon Lee at forwards, and 6-5 Larry Bradshaw and 6-0 Cecil Magana at guards. All will be seniors except Reed.

If that isn't enough, Abe Lemons, starting his second season as head coach, can call on an assortment of returning squadmen and upcoming sophs who pack size, speed and shooting power. One of the best of the newcomers is Jerry Wallace, 6-4½ transfer who earned a letter at Oklahoma A&M.

Three sophomores are regarded by Lemons as standout prospects. Mike Kelley (5-9) led last year's freshmen in scoring and was second in rebounding, while 5-10 Troy Hill led in rebounding and was second in scoring. The third is 6-1 Ed McCraw, and backing them are 6-4 Bill Hanson and 6-5 Gary Gardner.

Squadmen returning from last season include 6-1 Fred Dunbar, 6-3 Dennis Jeter, 5-10 Bill Juby and 6-5 Ray Gilbert. All won letters.

Oklahoma City last season won its way into the NCAA playoffs, only to be bumped out in the Regional finals at Lawrence, Kans., by Southern Methodist. The Chiefs figure to be back again, although their schedule is rugged. OCU's biggest assets will be tremendous height and fine shooting. Defense and lack of speed are the weaknesses.

WASHINGTON (St. Louis)—This simon-pure independent will be in the 10th year of a strict no-scholarship program this season, but hopes are high that last season's remarkable 17-5 record will be bettered. Four of five starters return to form a solid nucleus for coach Blair Gullion, who begins his 11th year at Washington and 26th in coaching. He has won 298 games.

Leading the returnees is forward Jim Barton (6-3), top scorer last season with 465 points. He scored 393 as a sophomore. Teaming with him at forward will be Bill Gullion (6-4), son of the coach.

Les Medley (6-6), returns at center, and back at one guard is Art Borchers (6-3), third-ranking scorer with 257 points. All four returnees are seniors.

Senior Bob Casten (6-1) was the sixth man last year and appears the most likely candidate to fill in the open guard spot, but he may choose to graduate in January. Behind him is junior Stan Smith (5-10) who never played varsity ball before last season, but who is quick and a fine playmaker.

The squad may suffer from lack of a towering pivot and from lack of depth, but experience, speed and over-all shooting ability may carry the Bears to another fine season.

OMAHA—The Indians last season won six and lost 16, and may be pressed to equal that record despite the return of four seniors. Lack of height and reserves will be the big problems for coach Jack Cotton.

Stan Schaetzle (6-3½) heads the list of returnees. Last season's leading scorer, he'll pair with Dean Thompson (6-0) at forward. At center will be Don Meade (6-4) and the fourth senior is 5-8 guard Johnny Morse. Sophomore Jack Paulson (5-10½) probably will take over at the other guard. Behind him is another sophomore, 6-1 Bob Shields.

Omaha offers no scholarships, and Cotton says he'll have no idea of the caliber of incoming freshmen until he checks registration rolls. Freshmen are eligible at Omaha, and Cotton hopes to find some who will add depth and height to the squad.

CREIGHTON—This one-time Midwestern basketball power is rebuilding under coach Theron "Tommy" Thomsen, and will lean heavily on two sophomores and three freshmen. Standout veteran is Bob Gibson (6-1), forward who led the team in scoring with a 24-point average. He's ranked among the finest individual stars in the area.

John Green, 6-1 soph, probably will join Gibson at forward. The center will be Doug Klanderud, 6-5 junior, and at guards are Dan Simon, 6-2 senior, and Don Brummer, 5-9 soph. Simon and Brummer were regulars last season.

The two top returning squadmen are 6-4 Wayne Muenster and 5-9 Jim Berry.

Freshmen, who may help push the Bluejays higher than their 11-12 record of last season, include Bob Van Veeland (6-5), Dick Harvey (6-7) and Jim Jackson (6-3). Freshmen are eligible for varsity competition at Creighton.

NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE—Five of the top nine players on last season's conference championship squad graduated, but new coach Jim Iverson is picked to make a rousing debut. Kent Hyde, 6-7 center, one of the returning starters, is one of the biggest reasons State is pegged to repeat. The other starters are Jim Sutton (6-0) and Dal Eisenbraun (6-1).

Seven squadmen returning are Bob Schreiber (6-0), Dale Jacobson (6-1), Jim Forsyth (6-0), Harold Gallagher (6-1), Bob Gunnare (5-8), Ning Johnson (6-0) and Harley Peterson (5-10). Leading sophomore candidates are Darrell Corlett (6-5), Larry Terneus (6-2), LaRue Martin (6-3), Loren Eitrem (6-3) and Merlin Smith (6-2).

The squad will have ample reserves, important in Iverson's plans, and the sophs will replenish most of the height lost through graduation.

NORTH DAKOTA U—A couple of service returnees have kindled championship hopes, even though four starters are missing. Jon Haaven, 6-5 junior, is expected to take up where he left off two years ago. If he does, the Nodaks could go all the way. Haaven owns four of the seven individual scoring records in the conference and was an All-Conference selection twice before entering service. In his last full season he averaged 27.4 points. Al Rossak, 6-7 center who becomes eligible at the semester, spent a year at Louisville and two years in service before enrolling.

Haaven is scheduled to start at center. Top forwards are a pair of 6-5 sophs, Bill Monson and Bob Hokanson, and senior Jim Anderson (6-2). Starting guards probably will be sophomore Dennis Larson (5-11) and junior Gene Asseth (6-1).

Coach Lou Bogan will have good scoring punch and fine over-all size, but squad may suffer from inexperience.

SOUTH DAKOTA U—Nine lettermen and three towering sophomores make the picture bright. Experience is lacking only at pivot but there will be plenty of candidates, and sophomores could fill the gap.

Two lettermen return at center in Roger Nelson (6-4) and Jim Truelson (6-5), and good size is offered by sophomores Ray Kock (6-9) and Al Mahaney (6-7). Four lettered forwards return in Bill Conway (6-3), Dick Wold (6-3), Maurice Haugland (6-1) and Clayton Kiewel (6-4). Back at guards are lettermen Clifton Daniels (6-1), Jimmie Daniels (5-9) and Dick Hagerty (5-11).

Other promising sophomores are Marvin Chamberlain (6-6), Gary Nelson (6-3) and Frank Brost (5-11).

The defense may not be up to last season's level, but the squad boasts good size, experience and scoring.

IOWA TEACHERS—Jim Witham is the new coach, taking over after 11 years at Mankato Teachers, and he's inheriting a squad that packs good size and experience.

Del Nicklaus (6-5) and Claude McCleary (6-2) probably will start at forward, with 6-7 Ray Nissen at center. Deith Parre (6-3) and Dick Strub (6-0) will be guards. Top reserves are Wayne Stotts (6-3), Merle Garman (5-11) and Verne Ogden (6-1). Leading sophomore prospects are Ray Nichols (5-10) and Don Muhlenbrock (6-3).

Iowa Teachers could be the surprise team of the league. The squad will have good rebounding power, and hopes to develop more scoring punch.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE—Center John Haas, 6-8 senior, is the only starter back, and he'll join two sophomores and two returning senior squadmen to form the starting five.

Sophomore Dale Lundby (6-3) and senior Howard Heil (6-2) are the forwards, and sophomore John Foss (6-3) and senior Ken Flynn (6-0) the guards. They're backed up by three players who measure 6-5—Warren Arman, a transfer from Bismarck Junior College, and sophs Hib Hill and Flim Williams.

The squad will have better height, particularly in the front line, but lack of experienced personnel will be the top problem for coach Chuck Bentson.

AUGUSTANA—The Vikings don't list a player over 6-4, and this lack of height presents a serious problem. The probable starting center, Paul Hiene, measures 6-3. The starters at forward probably will be Bruce Harolds (6-3) and Jerry Ihrke (6-1½). The guards will be Joh Falgren (5-11) and Dick Brook (6-0). The best returning squadmen are Doyle Selland (6-4), Dean Hinders (6-4) and Dal Egan (5-11).

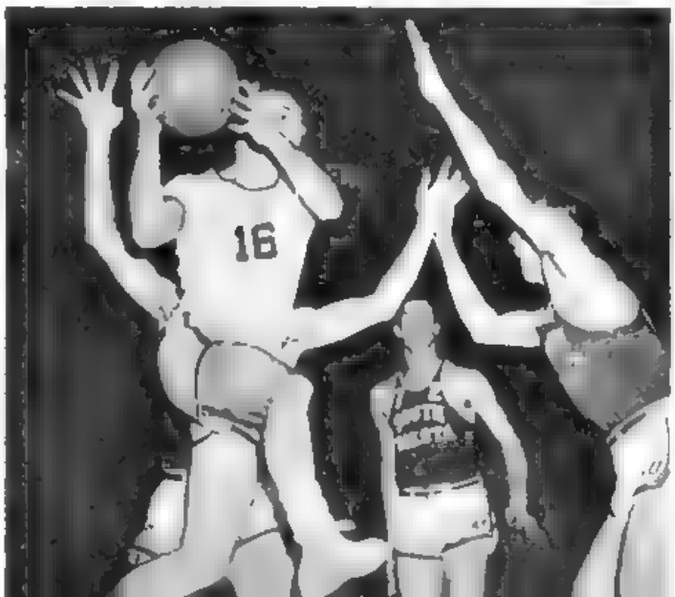
The best sophomore prospects are Jack Elliott (6-0), Wayne Trousdale (6-4), Jerry Wangsness (5-11) and Jim Johnson (6-0). Johnson is a former All-Stater who won't be eligible until the second semester.

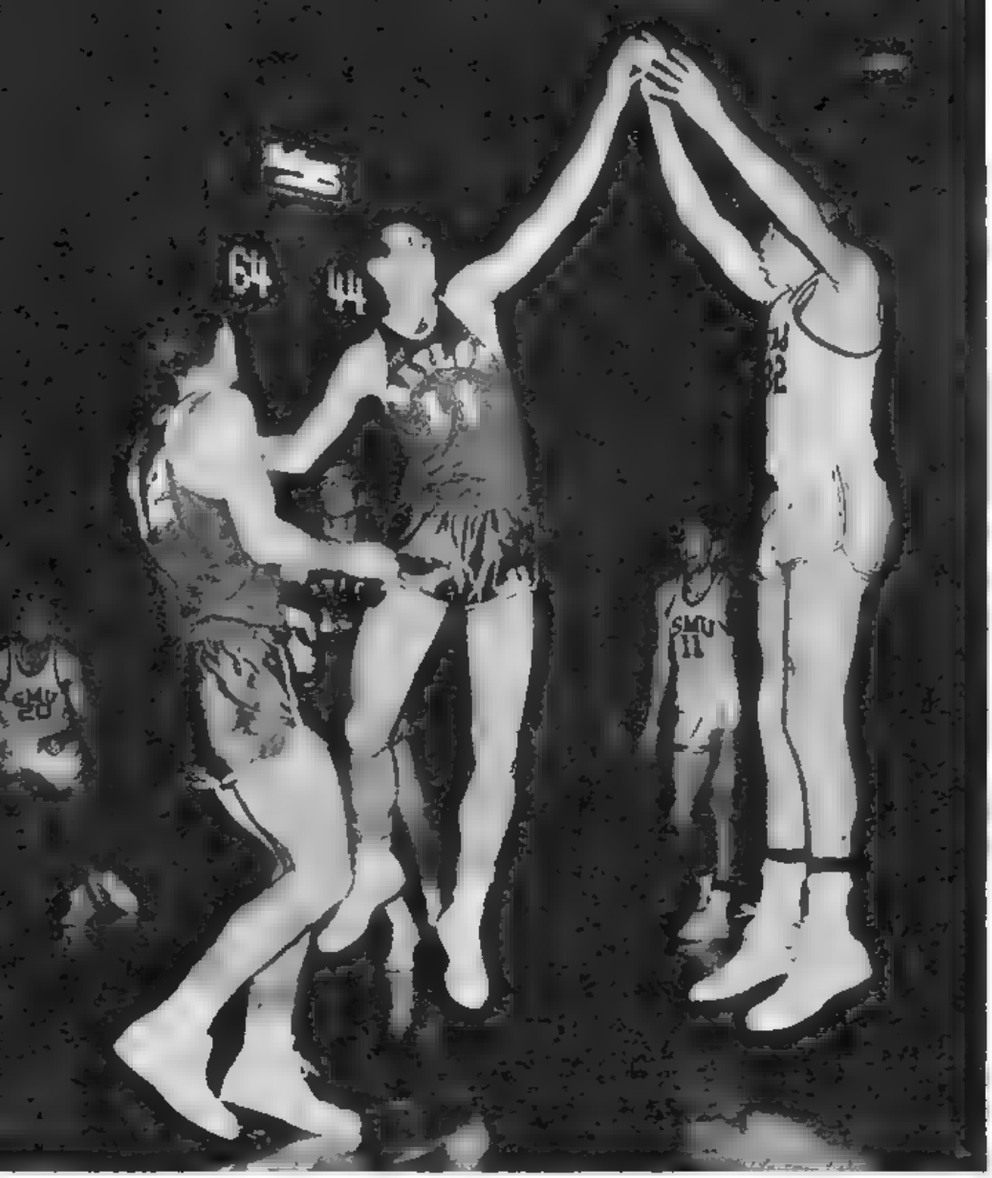
MORNINGSIDE—The Maroons return their six top players and can count on six more squadmen in their bid to escape the cellar. Returning at forwards are Deith Warner (6-3) and Dick Yates (6-4). At center is 6-9 Del Schlitz, and at guards Don Poppen (5-10) and Jerry Starkweather (6-3). The sixth man is Bob Reynders (5-11).

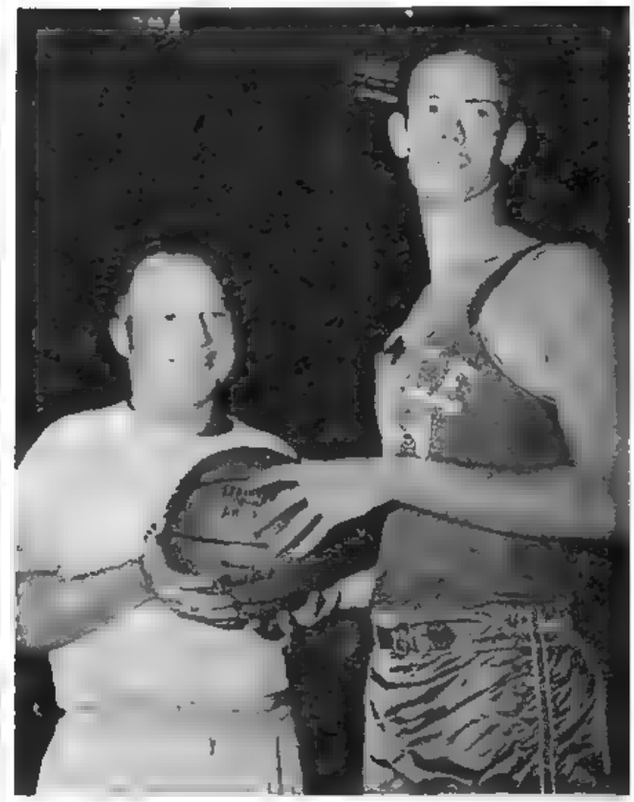
Squadmen back are Bill Barrett (6-4), Ken Degries (6-0), Gary Krekyes (6-4), Keith Shellhammer (6-1), Doug Delzell (6-3) and Norman Falk (6-2). Top sophomore prospects are Clifford Hieber (6-2), Gan Bergman (6-2) and Jim Erwin (6-3).

Morningside, shooting for a first-division berth, is pinning its hopes on speed, size and improved shooting.

JIM BARTON, Washington (St. Louis) forward who sank 465 points last season, goes up for 2-pointer.







TEMPLE TUCKER, 6-10 center, talks over strategy with Rice coach Don Suman who calls present team his best.

JIM KREBS (right), SMU's All-America center candidate, tops Baylor defense for score in Mustang drive to SW title.

BOBBY MILLS, SMU captain, demonstrates dazzling type play that makes Mustangs tops in Southwest.

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Southwest

SOUTHWEST CAGE INTEREST SOARS AS SMU BIDS FOR THIRD TITLE IN ROW

PREDICTIONS

Southwest
1. SMU
2. Rice
3. Texas
4. TCU
5. Texas A&M
6. Arkansas
7. Baylor

Gulf Coast
1. Abilene Christian
2. North Texas State
3. Midwestern
4. Trinity

Independents
1. Texas Tech
2. Texas Lutheran

Border
1. Arizona
2. West Texas State
3. Texas Western
4. Hardin-Simmons
5. Arizona St. (Tempe)
6. New Mexico A&M

Lone Star
1. Southwest Texas St.
2. Stephen F. Austin
3. East Texas State
4. Sul Ross State
5. Lamar Tech
6. Howard Payne
7. Texas A&I
8. Sam Houston State

WHILE tall Texas tales bored the nation for years, nothing bored Texans more than basketball. In a state where a man is measured by his All-America football standing, natives issued a singular yawn when angular young men shuffled in the direction of a basket.

Since 1950, however, the capacity of Southwest Conference field houses has doubled to meet the increasing demand for tickets. When Southern Methodist reached the NCAA semi-finals against San Francisco last March, broadcasts and telecasts beamed the game all over the State. Now the region that once could take basketball or leave it no longer considers an alternative.

Attempting to become the first team in 26 years to win three consecutive championships, Southern Methodist ventures forth in the Southwest Conference with all but one of last year's top five scorers. Rice graduates the league's outstanding freshman team to an already stacked varsity. Sophomores try to buck a Texas lineup that played an entire season together. Dangerous Texas Christian and the Texas Aggies, rebuilding under Ken Loeffler, must hold off Arkansas and Baylor.

The Border Conference could see another race as close as last year when the champion lost four games. Arizona and West Texas State will put up the strongest arguments for the title held by Texas Tech, which has resigned from the Border before beginning play in the Southwest.

Abilene Christian, with a lineup of four seniors and one junior, freely predicts one of its best teams of all time. Nevertheless, North Texas State, perennial Gulf Coast Conference power, refuses to concede. Southwest Texas State demands first consideration in the Lone Star Conference despite the fact that defending champion Stephen F. Austin's personnel is undisturbed.

Texas Tech joins the independents for a year, and it's just as well, because graduation left big voids at Lubbock.

It is difficult to pick against SMU, the first team in nine years to finish undefeated in Southwest Conference play. Perhaps the fastest group ever to play in this region, Doc Hayes' speedsters set new conference records in scoring and accuracy from the field and led the nation in free throw percentage. Three of the first eight departed and Joel Krog, a fine rebounder, clutch scorer and leader, will be the hardest to replace.

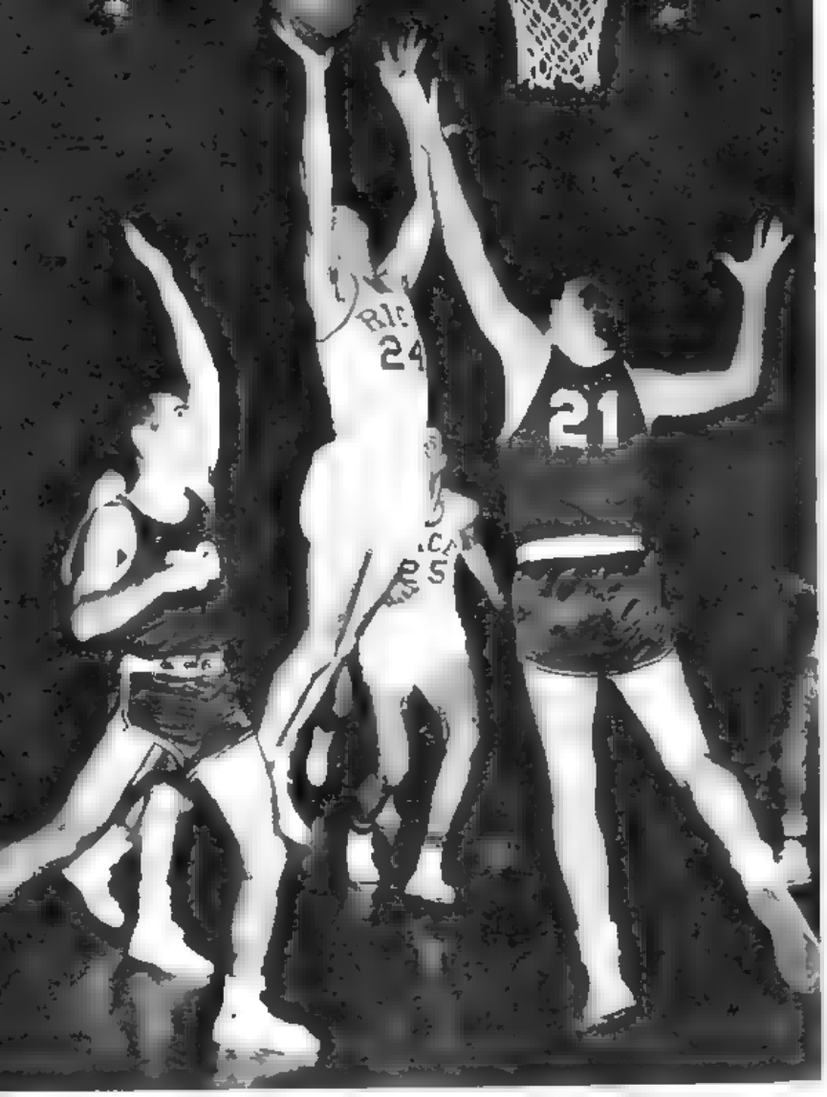
Loser of six straight to the Red Horses from Dallas, third-place Rice aches for revenge. Only Joe Durrenberger is gone. To work with 6-10 Temple Tucker and 6-9 Tom Robitaille in a tandem post Coach Don Suman plans to employ will be a squad perhaps deeper in reserve strength than any rival.

Under the conference's only new coach, Marshall Hughes, Texas shifts emphasis toward long-neglected defense. Hughes also seeks better balance offensively to shift some of the burden from 6-4 Raymond Downs, the conference's leading scorer.

Texas Christian nosedived from second to last because 6-7 Richard O'Neal could not do it all alone. The best freshman team in the last seven years guarantees aid for the handsome senior. Defenses which sagged on O'Neal last season must contend with rugged Ronny Stevenson, 6-5 youngster who averaged over 20 rebounds a game as a yearling.

Handicapped by lack of height last year, the Texas Aggies again bank on Ken Loeffler's coaching cleverness while continuing to look up to their opponents. New additions Stewart Heller, rugged 6-5, 205-pounder, and Neil Swisher, 6-1, are Loeffler's types, but neither reaches the rafters sufficiently to please the demanding Philadelphian, who inserted an advertisement in the school paper in the desperate search for a tall student "to keep the opposing pivot man happy."

Baylor builds around tremendously-talented Jerry Mallett, 6-5, the only returning starter. The two 6-8 pivot candidates are inexperienced, Eddie Ashwood and the splinter up from the freshmen,



GERRY THOMAS, 6-2 Rice guard, eludes outstretched arm of Arkansas' Wayne Dunn (21) to tally 2-pointer.

RAY DOWNS scored 625 for Texas for All-SWC and national team honors.

JIM O'BANNON, a good outside man, is veteran slated at guard for TCU.

NORM HOOTEN posted 13.5 average plus 95 rebounds for Texas five.

John Moore. Del Shofner started the last seven games, but his decision to pass up basketball further reduced Bear forces.

Glen Rose bemoans the basketball fates, but annually comes up with one of the conference's better clubs at Arkansas. Runner-up last year, Rose must pull a major miracle to avoid the second division after seeing six of his top seven players depart. Rose contemplates using a double post with a 6-6 Jim Carpenter, the leading frosh scorer, and 6-5 Wayne Dunn.

The development of basketball in Texas is reflected in the accelerated pursuit of graduates of the vast schoolboy program, numbering almost 1,000 teams. At one time Southwest Conference coaches found themselves the only bidders. Now they face competition from Oklahoma A&M and Kentucky and the powerful junior colleges in East Texas.

The 12-foot rule brought a greater trend toward zone defenses than in any section of the country. Over 50 per cent of the Southwest Conference games saw one or both teams employ the zone, and widespread protests were the result. The traffic jam around the man with the ball is expected to be lessened in 1957 because of greater team balance. If the trend toward the zone continues, however, it could kill off enthusiasm quicker than the return of the center jump.

Six of the nine leading scorers return, and never has the point potential been so great.

The December opening of Southern Methodist's gaudy 10,000-seat field house broadens the Southwest's basketball scope. Every school except Baylor and Texas is playing in an arena built since 1950, and the seating capacity has increased from 20,000 to 44,000.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

SOUTHERN METHODIST—A veteran squad, a tall, high-scoring pivot and the impetus of a long string of successes keep Mustang hopes soaring. Jim Krebs, 6-8 and 225, improved greatly in the last half of the season. Krebs has learned to maneuver, and not even San Francisco could handle his two-hand hook shot.

Rick Herrscher (6-3), a top-line substitute at guard and forward, moves in with sharpshooting Larry Showalter (6-3) in the front line. Bobby Mills (6-0), considered by many the team's most valuable player, lends dazzle and brilliance to the attack. In the off-season coach Doc Hayes imported Ned Duncan (6-2) a junior college transfer, as a sniper against zone defenses and Bob Knapo (6-4), Pennsylvania JC transfer.

Scoring figures told the story of the Mustangs' beautiful balance, for only Krebs finished in the SWC's top ten. Accuracy was the keynote, however, as the Ponies banked field goals at a 46 per cent rate and hit on almost 80 per cent at the free throw line.

Reserves are thin, but last year's club got along with a minimum of substitutions. Only Albert

Brown (6-4) and Bob Buddendorf (6-0), among the freshmen, figure to help. Substitutes returning are Bob McGregor (6-5), Herschel O'Kelley (6-1), Bill Eldridge (5-10) and Don Carter (6-4).

The speediest team in the Southwest shows no signs of letting up in 1957.

RICE—The conference's tallest squad must develop outside shooters but owns tremendous in-close scoring punch in Temple Tucker (6-10) and Tom Robitaille (6-9). The Owls may suffer from inexperience, for the lineup contains only one senior, Gerry Thomas (6-2).

Two starting jobs will go to sophomores—Robitaille at forward and Bob Higgins (5-11) or Jay McIlvain (6-2) at guard. King Hill (6-3), smooth and versatile football quarterback, earns first consideration at forward. Tucker led the league in rebounds (12.3) and was third in scoring (19.9). Robitaille paced the freshmen in both departments.

Fred Woods (6-3), a starter for two years, finds the competition so rough he may be watching from the bench. Two sophomore forwards expect to see heavy service—Willie Preston (6-6) and Gary Griffin (6-5). Like Hill, Preston makes everything look easy. Veterans Billy Arhos (6-0), Dave Baggett (6-2), Dave Coterill (5-10) and Glenn Fields (6-2) bolster the bench.

Coach Don Suman admits this will be his best team.

TEXAS—A much better club than its fourth place finish indicates, Texas will be a strong contender because of scoring ability and depth.

Raymond Downs (6-4) can shoot with either hand and averaged 26 points. Ellis Olmstead (6-9), Norman Hooton (6-2), Kermit Decker (6-0) and Bill Groogan (6-0) join Downs as returning starters. Only Hooton, averaging 13.5, and Downs are sure of their jobs in the face of strong freshman challenges.

Richard Farrell needs to improve his defense and rebounding, but the 6-5 soph uses a hook, jump or push shot equally well. Another soph, Brenton Hughes (6-4), is an exceptional defensive man. Excellent on fast breaks and drives and very good around the boards, Hughes moves in with Farrell at forward.

Top reserves include John Shaffer (6-4), Ken Cleveland (5-10) and Charles Warren (5-11). A team to watch.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN—Buster Brannon bounces back with a bang—that's the story in Frogland.

Richard O'Neal (6-7) hit points at a 25.8 clip per game, but the Purple finished last because O'Neal's nearest teammate was more than 15 points back. Jimmy O'Bannon (6-1) is a certain starter along with O'Neal.

Elsewhere TCU could have as many as three sophs starting, among them talented Ronny Stevenson (6-5), H. E. Kirchner (6-10 and 240), Derrill Nippert (6-4) and Roy Davis (6-3), who will be a running mate for O'Bannon at guard. Lettermen Delbert Tucker (6-3), Jim Page (5-10), Buddy Ball (6-2) and Duane Smith (6-1) have their work cut out for them.

Tutor of two champions and a tri-champion in six seasons, Brannon found losing an unaccustomed experience. A quick end to the Fort Worth drought is in sight.

KEN HUTTO hit 308 to top Texas A&M scorers, had 98 in 122 on foul line.

STU HELLER, Aggie soph, in line for varsity job off fine frosh showing.

JERRY MALLETT, clever all-around cage ace, is lone vet Baylor starter.

DICK O'NEAL, who hit at 25.8 clip for Horned Frogs, scores on Texas.

TEXAS A&M—The only scholarship offer Ken Hutto received when the left-hander graduated from Amarillo came from Texas Aggies. Ken Loeffler thought so little of the 6-0 soph he kept him on the bench through the first two games. But Hutto went on to lead the team in scoring, and together with the erratic George Mehaffey (6-4), Ted Harrod (6-0) and Fritzie Connally, he forms the experienced nucleus for 1957. Hutto, in addition to his 14.7 average, led the league in free throw accuracy.

Because the Aggies must yield in height and rebounding, Loeffler requires high accuracy from the field, creating opportunity for sniping sophomores Stu Heller (6-5), Neal Swisher (6-1), Alex Roberts (6-2) and Gonzalo Diago (6-3). All four averaged in double figures as freshmen.

ARKANSAS—Glen Rose seems to have an inexhaustible store of rugged 6-5 youngsters, and 1957 will be no exception. Only four lettermen are present, but if these young Razorbacks can absorb Rose's zone defense as quickly as last season's runner-up club they could be troublesome. Fred Grim (6-0), Terry Day (6-4), Wayne Dunn (6-5) and Joe Dickson (6-3) compose the returning delegation.

Dick Rittman (6-3) and Larry Grisham (6-3) were held out last year. Jim Carpenter (6-6) paced freshman scorers and is expected to start at center. Rose looks to Charley Brown (6-9), a squadman, for improvement. Others counted on for help are sophs Lawrence Stolder (6-4), Jim Windle (6-0), Jim Gattis (6-1), Clyde Hankins (6-3), Bruce Jones (6-0) and Harry Thompson (6-5).

BAYLOR—In Jerry Mallett the Bears own an amazingly versatile player in a class with the conference's best. Third in rebounding and tenth in scoring, the 6-5 Beaumont burrhead moves in and out of pivot and forward.

Not even Mallett, gifted as he is, can handle everything, however. Graduation took 60 per cent of the Bears' scoring punch, leaving big assignments for four freshmen—John Moore (6-8), darting little Charley Pack (5-11), John Fite (6-5) and Gene McCarley (6-5). Moore averaged 16.3. Returning lettermen include Mallett (6-8), Eddie Ashwood, Larry Barnes (6-2), Tom Kelly (6-3) and Ed Franklin (6-3).

The Bears expect above average outside shooting and good work on the boards from Mallett, Fite and McCarley, but canny Bill Henderson realizes you can't win consistently these days without an experienced pivot.

BORDER CONFERENCE

ARIZONA—Coach Fred Enke, long the ruler of sagebrush basketball, yielded to Texas Tech last year but is back challenging for the top after a .500 season. Ed Nymeyer (6-3), eighth in conference scoring last year with a 15-point norm, is the key man. Bob Mueller (6-3) and Bill Reeves (6-3) furnish a steadying hand. Reeves averaged 13.1 rebounds, and if he can do as well this year the championship flag may be flying over Tucson.

WEST TEXAS STATE—The Buffalo is far from a vanishing breed along the Border, where Rookie Rogers is king. Eight lettermen return, and Rogers enters the campaign with a 17.2 average, highest of the conference's returning players. Second in free throw accuracy, Rogers combines with Allen Simpson to provide a whirlwind attack.

TEXAS WESTERN—Runner up to Texas Tech last year, the Miners look to Dick McAlpine (6-0) and Ned Moore (6-3) as the successors to the departed Jim Babers and Ed Haller.

Also returning are A. J. Mason (6-0) and Wayne Jones (6-5), a fine prospect who was a starter last year until he became ineligible.

Western has excellent experience, shooting and speed, but coach George McCarty needs additional height and bench strength.

HARDIN-SIMMONS—Coach Bill Scott's Cowboys have a great deal of potential and can rise well above the last place finish of last season. The Cowboys have no less than six men who can stretch six-six. Bob Tremaine, Doyle Edmiston, Pete Murray, Bob Carlson, Jerry Cunningham and 6-7 Carl Knight.

Top man is Tremaine, a senior, who was out last season with a broken foot. The two-time All-Conference center is a cinch to establish new Hardin-Simmons records, having contributed a total of 1,003 points in three years of varsity balk Tremaine teams with Knight and Edmiston, a pair of fine sophomores.

ARIZONA STATE—The conference's most valuable football player of 1955, Dave Graybill, bids for honors in basketball and joins select company. All but one of the top four scorers return, but replacing Tom Futch will be the big job for coach Bill Khaikawa.

NEW MEXICO A&M—Coach Presley Askew suffered the heaviest graduation losses as six men departed, but Askew's tight defense and Bob Jarrett's steady scoring could create an upheaval similar to last year's when the Aggies were picked to finish near the bottom and wound up tied for second.

LONE STAR CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE—In their first season in the new $500,000 gym, the Bobcats offer their best team since 1952. All-conference Bobby Roberts (5-11) averaged 14 points and pivot Barney Aaron (6-4) hit at an 18-point norm, but must beat out the talented soph, 6-7 Earl Lankford. Other top men are Bill Kruger (6-1), Archie Cole (6-6) and Boonie Wilkining (5-11).

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN—The defending champions return six lettermen and five squadmen, including 6-6 C. L. Nix, producer of over 1,000 points in two seasons. Roy Carroway and Bobby Moore, both 6-3, join with Nix to assure backboard domination. Standout guard Del Ballard also returns. Fourth nationally in defense with a yield of 60.9, the Lumberjacks figure to be just as tenacious this season.

EAST TEXAS STATE—Newcomer Dee Mackey (6-6) gives the coach Bob Rogers a badly-needed boost in the height department. Hunter Barton (6-6) and Bill Bruce (6-2) man forward posts, with the guards expected to be J. W. Fite (6-1) and Clarence Jones (6-1), Clark Cord (6-5), Tommy Parris (6-4) and Brent Adams (6-3) challenge for starting jobs. Of the top eight, only Bruce and Jones were around last year.

SUL ROSS STATE—All-Conference forward Paul Ingle sets the pace for a team that lost its top two scorers, Don Pearson and C. J. Hanson. The Lobos will be aided by a home-and-home schedule after being forced to play three conference games on the road last year.

LAMAR TECH—The Cardinals came on fast late in the season and return virtually the entire club, including All-Conference Ken Roach, 6-7 center. Bob Thompson and John Irwin, both 6-4, Elwyn Seay (6-3), J. C. Smith (6-0) and Billy Tubbs (5-10) furnish additional experience. Top newcomers are James Mellard (6-3) and Jim Coulter (6-3).

HOWARD PAYNE—Robert Moore (6-4) averaged 21.4 and along with Jerry Forderhase (6-2) and Arlen White (6-4) form a veteran nucleus in the Yellowjackets' inaugural LSC season. Others expected to help are Edwin Cox (6-6), Lloyd Smith (6-6), Hulan Yarborough, Don Abbott, Kyle McCain (6-4) Bobby Edgar (6-3) and veterans David Walls, Doyle Rogers and Stanley Owen.

TEXAS A&M—It was left to 5-11 Don McDonald to lead the Javelinas in scoring, and the big men will have to produce more points if the club is to improve. Lettermen in addition to McDonald are Charles Wiginton (6-4), Walker Sanders (6-1), Gary Griffith (6-5), Wally Mayer (5-11), Billy Kromer (5-9), and Ted Dockery (6-5).

SAM HOUSTON STATE—Coach Bruce Craig faces a rebuilding job as he succeeds Jack Williams, and the reconstruction will not be in the direction of the ceiling, for the tallest Bearkat is 6-3. Top men are Monte Driskell, Glen Jochec, Carl Davis, Lawrence and Lonnie Richards, Don Emmons and Leon Belote.

GULF COAST CONFERENCE

ABILENE CHRISTIAN—Second in its first season in the Gulf Coast, the Wildcats are eyeing the top. Coach Dee Nutt builds around Jack McCall, 6-4 junior who led the team in scoring two years ago but was out last year with a broken foot. Height is lacking, but Bill Gregory (6-4) and Leon Morgan (6-4) are good rebounders. Top newcomer is Gene Denman (6-4). The guards will be James Emerson (5-7) and Bobby Petty (5-10).

NORTH TEXAS STATE—The Eagles miss four-year lettermen Fred Hopkins and Joe Mitchell, but eight lettermen are back. Ben Hill and Ken Hinkle, both 6-0, were on the All-Conference second team. The tallest returning veteran is 6-3, and tall help is expected from a half-dozen sophomores—Ballard Hopkins (6-4), Fred's younger brother; Lonnie Crafton (6-5), Ed McClelen (6-6), Bobby Shropshire (6-5), Ken Ward (6-6) and Bobby Key (6-3).

MIDWESTERN—Coach Dallas Clynch rounded up a flock of junior college transfers to replace his graduated stars. Among the newcomers are Wally Brown (6-8), David McCool (6-7), George Peel (6-6), James Barker, Leroy Toon, Audie Woodard and Ed Russell, all 6-4; Carl Lane (6-1), Ed Whillock (6-0) and Roger Samuels (6-3). Veterans Lloyd Cogburn (6-5) and Ramon Towry and Elgene Brooking, both 5-10, will help.

TRINITY—The veteran contingent of 6-6 Milton Robichaux (6-6), Roger Tatsch (5-8), Tom Frazier (6-2), Cecil Holloway (6-2), Roy Green (6-4) and Paul Taylor (6-2) will be beefed up with talent imported by new coach Leslie Robinson. Most gifted newcomer is Carlos Montemayer (6-1).

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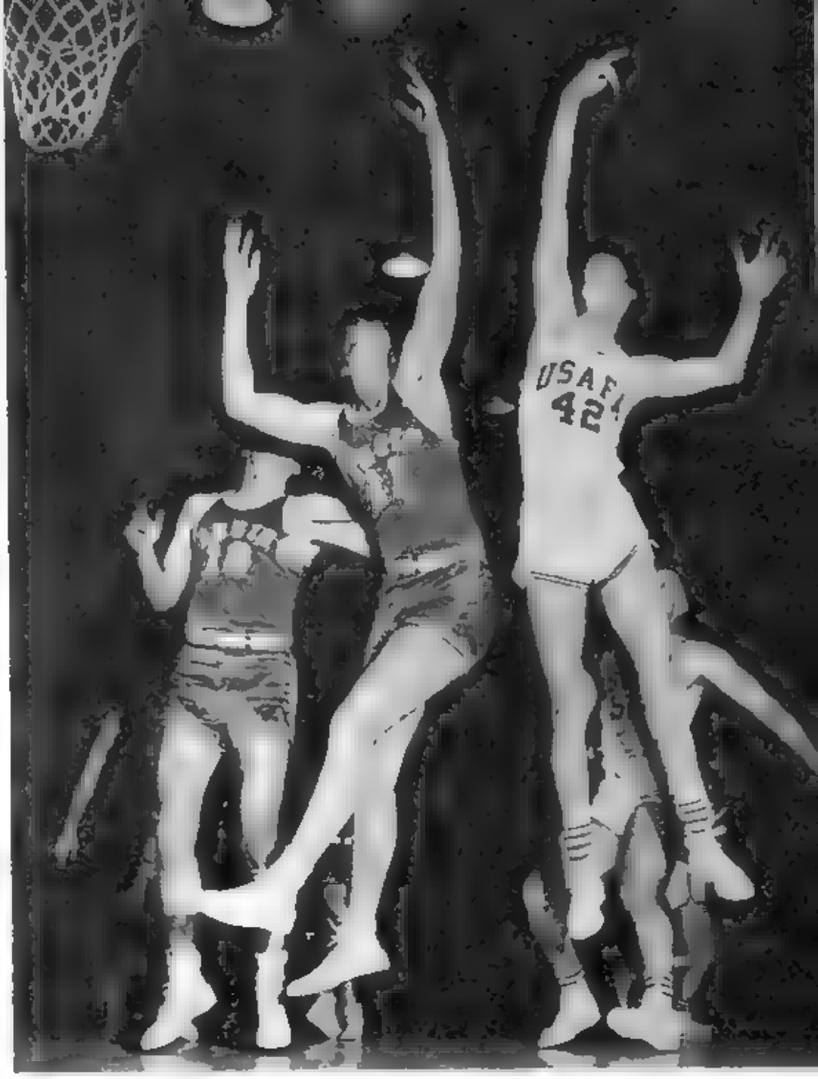
TEXAS TECH—The Raiders, awaiting their first championship race next year after being admitted to the Southwest Conference, withdrew from the Border and will compete as an independent. Coach Polk Robison opens the new 10,000-seat coliseum with a green team and a strong schedule. Harry Scaling (6-1) and Ned Underwood (6-4) are good defensive men, but hardly figure to take up the scoring slack left by Jim Reed, DuWayne Blackshear and Eugene Carpenter. Help is expected from Gerald Myers (5-10), Leon Hill (6-6), Wade Wolfe (6-5), Chuck Key (6-3) and Charlie Lynch (6-2). All of them hit in double figures in a 13-1 freshman season.

TEXAS LUTHERAN—The tallest Lutheran is 6-6 Dan Hann, with Shane LeStourgeon and Billy Graeber back to help him in the scoring department. LeStourgeon scored at a 17.8 pace. Graeber is the team's top defensive man. Freddie Wendlandt, Billy Petmecky (6-3) and Howard Herzer (6-1) put in strong claims as starters. Herzer is the team's best rebounder and plays center. Top reserves are Pete Correa (5-10) and Kenneth Dismukes (5-11).

ERNIE UTHGENANNT, Denver guard, connects on jump shot from side in conquest of New Mexico, 81-61. Ernie poured in 279 points for Pioneers as soph.



JIM GUNTER (42) was top rebounder on US Air Force Academy five in debut season. Here 6-3 pivot goes high after ball in game with Regis junior varsity.

JACK ALLAIN (white uniform) shows why he is rated Idaho State's top board man as his 6-8 blankets foe.

DON CARLSON, 6-5 Wyoming forward, rates as outstanding rebounder and versatile scorer in Skyline bid.

TERRY ECKHARDT, 6-2 guard, boasts excellent jump shot and is power in dribble and drive for Wyoming.

By Frank Haraway

Now in his 19th year with the Denver Post, Frank Haraway has covered over 1,000 cage tilts involving teams in his sector.

Rockies

SKYLINE TITLE PENDULUM SWINGS BACK AND WYOMING'S SET TO RISE

PREDICTIONS

Skyline	Rocky Mountain
1. Wyoming	1. Idaho State
2. Utah	2. Montana State
3. Denver	3. Western State
4. Brigham Young	4. Colorado State
5. Montana	5. Adam State (provisional member)
6. Colorado A&M	6. Colorado Mines
7. New Mexico	7. Colorado College
8. Utah State	

Independents—Regis, Air Force Academy

THE basketball championship pendulum in the Rocky Mountain Empire swings back and forth between Utah and Wyoming with almost precision regularity. After two years at Utah University, the title pendulum appears ready to swing back to Wyoming, where veteran coach Ev Shelton has been quietly moving in transfers and Army returnees to round out a potentially outstanding squad.

For two years Utah and Brigham Young fought it out with coach Jack Gardner's Utes topping the Skyline Conference both years. But key men on these perennial powers have departed and Wyoming figures to have attained an edge for the crown this year.

The Cowpokes won't be too experienced as they rely heavily on the new men in key spots. But, except for Denver, contenders will be green, too. Denver is the pick of many but basketball championships have a habit of slipping away from the Pioneers, and Wyoming rates the edge. Utah has some terrific-looking sophomores and, of course, might spring the big surprise in the most open race in several years.

Montana, making rapid strides under Forrest (Frosty) Cox, who used to turn out winners at Colorado, may crowd into the first division ahead of Brigham Young. New Mexico, which like Montana has found rough sledding since coming into the Skyline, is also expecting better things. Utah State's picture is the leanest in several seasons.

Every Skyline coach returned but there are two new mentors in the smaller school Rocky Mountain conference. Steve Belko went to Oregon after producing a winner at Idaho State last year and John Grayson, former Oklahoma assistant, has taken over. John Bunn moved in at Colorado State after the press of many jobs forced athletic director Pete Butler to relinquish the basketball reins.

Grayson starts out at Idaho State carrying the "team to beat" tag, although Montana State rates a virtually even choice.

One of the big developments in the area could be the return of independent Regis College of Denver to top ranks. If the new talent assembled is as good on the court as on paper, the Rangers, with a veteran nucleus, could make a lot of noise. Air Force Academy, which turned out its first basketball team a year ago, expects to show considerable improvement. Regis and the Air Force have gone in together to offer six attractive Saturday afternoon doubleheaders in Denver's spacious auditorium arena.

SKYLINE CONFERENCE

WYOMING—The Cowpokes will definitely be back in the title picture after the worst season in the nearly 20 years wily Ev Shelton has directed their basketball fortunes.

Joe Capua was the only important loss from a team which had a sad 7-19 season mark. The little guard led the conference in scoring and set a single game record of 51 points.

Three newcomers are the big reasons for the sudden resurgence of basketball hope. At center the Pokes will have Ken Bryan (6-8), the widely-sought Kansas Citian who transferred from St. Louis U. He's fast, terrific on the boards, a fine post and outside shooter and can drive. Phil Mulkey (6-0), who just missed making the Olympic decathlon team, is a returning GI with burning speed, and can both drive and jump shoot from any spot. Tony Windis (6-1), good shooter and driver, is a ball-handling wizard.

This trio will start along with Terry Eckhardt (6-2), an excellent outside man as a sophomore, and probably Don Carlson (6-5), a rebounder who is also a versatile scorer. Eckhardt will take over play direction and scoring duties handled by Capua last year.

Senior Dave Bradley (6-8) will back up Bryan at center. Front line reserves will include speedy Don Campbell (6-4), defensive ace John Sharp (6-4), Burton St. John (6-1), dribbler Ed Luman (6-1), and Bob Rhynsburger (6-5), a sophomore backboard power.

Shelton will use a fast break, a weave pattern offense and his usual changing man-for-man de-

fense. His team appears best bet for title despite inexperience of top players. Reserves are experienced.

UTAH—In one respect that first rebuilding season following wholesale graduation of a championship gang that embraced some of a school's all-time greats is mighty tough. But in another respect it isn't bad at all. Such a squad inherits a winning complex and starts out commanding respect. Such is the position at Utah where coach Jack Gardner faces replacement of the B-men who brought two straight Skyline championships and national prominence to Utah: Art Bunte, Gary Bergen and Morris Buckwalter.

However, the nucleus is at hand for another Skyline contender. Curtis Jenson (5-10), a key returnee, is so good defensively that Gardner can assign him to the best little man on the opposition and generally figure on coming out ahead. He rates with the league's best playmakers, too. Another fine little man is Gary Hale (5-10). Jerry McCleary (6-6), a top 1956 reserve, comes back along with Darrell Pastrell, Bill Koncar, Dick Eiler, Ted Berner and Ed Gaythwaite.

Key to the Utah season undoubtedly will be Pearl Pollard, a 6-8 sophomore center, who, railbirds insist, could make Redskin fans forget all about Bunte. He's one of the all-time greats of Utah prep basketball and was unstoppable as a freshman.

Speedy Jack Mannion (6-6) was called the greatest class B prepster ever to come out of Utah when he played in the North-South game at Murray, Ky., in 1954. Rounding out the top sophomore hopes is Ron Ballantyne (6-3), a fine-shooting forward.

Utah is an excellent dark horse but inexperience may keep them from repeating.

DENVER—Coach Hoyt Brawner will be better fixed for top-grade experienced personnel than any conference rival but the school has a frustrating basketball history except for the Vince Boryla era. It has missed previous title opportunities by failing in crucial road games. And at home the Pioneers are often chilled by an uncollege-like atmosphere of meager crowd support, both numerically and vociferously.

Bill Peay (6-4), who starred for Pioneers as sophomore, assures Denver of strength up front. He scored 283 points and was terrific under the boards. Center Dick Brott (6-8), who had a disappointing junior year after an excellent sophomore season, may well be the answer to how Denver fares. Junior Rocephus Sligh (6-6), a remarkable rebounder but weak scorer, is the only experienced center relief. Sophomore Steve LaSatz (6-6) could help out here. Regular guards Ernie Uthgenannt (6-1) and Glenn Jackson (6-0), both in-and-outers, return and will get help from sophomores Stan Ferrare (6-1) and Pete Velasco (5-11).

Other squad members figuring in the picture are seniors Bob Knapp (6-2) and Jerry Hulstrom (6-4); Steve Lee (6-5), a fine sophomore prospect; Dick Buller (6-1), Hutchinson Junior college transfer; and Dan Stefanek (6-4), a dark horse who could become a regular.

Denver has title chance but quite a few "ifs." Rebound power team's greatest asset.

BRIGHAM YOUNG—The Cougars are vulnerable but in a year where no one team stands out far above the rest, they may be able to escape the second division. The heart of last year's Skyline runner-up departed with the graduation of tiny Terry Tebbs (5-8), a remarkable playmaker and shooter; and Herschel Pedersen (6-6), steady defensive rebounder and skillful tip-in artist. Coach Stan Watts will again have to battle with a team that is smaller than conference rivals. In the past the Cougars have been more than able to offset this with superior speed and shooting.

Best of the returnees is John Benson (6-4), powerful rebounder and fair shot. Harry Anderson (5-11), Lynn Rowe (6-4), Tom Steinke (5-10), and Jack Anderson (6-6)—all of whom had their moments last season—are also back but none is a standout. John Gustin (6-5), cream of the sophomore crop, is expected to form the nucleus of the ball club along with Benson and Steinke. Other

CURTIS JENSON is known to mates as "Sheriff" as he manages to handcuff rival stars. Besides defensive skill he is Utah's ace playmaker.

DICK GREGORY (L) and BOYD GRANT (R) gang up on Utah's Buckwalter to get possession of ball as Colorado Aggies upset the favored Utes, 62-59.

new men on whom the Cougars will rely are Gary Miles (6-5) and Roy Thacker (6-5).

BYU, although rebuilding this year, has great basketball tradition and may squeeze into first division.

MONTANA—The Grizzlies have never been much of a basketball power but are making rapid strides under Forrest "Frosty" Cox.

Last year's club was a big disappointment, due largely to a knee injury to center Ray Howard (6-6), who missed nearly all of the campaign. The play of Howard again figures to be pivotal. The Grizzlies also have to replace graduated Eddie Argenbright, last year's best scorer, and Eddie Bergquist.

Howard last Spring had an operation to remove some of the torn cartilage in his knee and if the operation is successful, he no doubt will be one of the leading scorers in the conference.

Zip Rhoades (6-3), a foxy ball handler and fair shooter; Russ Sheriff (6-6), second leading rebounder in the loop as a sophomore; and Al Dunham (6-4) are returning regulars. Another 1956 sophomore who improved rapidly toward the end of the campaign was Hal Erickson (6-2).

Sophomores to watch this season are Darrol Dunham (6-4), brother of Al; Jimmy Powell (6-3); and Duane Divich (6-2), a South Dakota importee. This trio undoubtedly will be in and out of the regular lineup. Other sophs with a chance include Tom McEacheron (6-1), Gordon Hunt (6-1), and Frosty Cox Jr., son of the coach and a transfer from Kansas U.

Cox uses both single and double post offense and the standard man-to-man defense. Watch out for Montana if Howard's knee permits him to play up to potential and sophs develop.

COLORADO A&M—Size will be almost nonexistent on the 1956-57 Rams. Center Gary Hibbard (6-5), a remarkable hooker, graduated and there is no one capable of taking up the slack. Rich Gregory (6-5), a defensive stalwart, may have to take over at center. His biggest weakness is inability to hook well but he spent the Summer working on it. If not at center, he'll be an old reliable at forward where he excels on tip-ins, jump shots and drive-ins. A sophomore, John Kemman (6-4), is a good hooker and does a good all-around job but is small as modern centers go.

Coach Jim Williams boasts good little men. Stan Albert (5-11), outstanding playmaker, dribbler and shooter, will direct the attack. Sonny Blanton (5-10), up from the frosh, is the same type and a great prospect. Robert "Tobe" Anderson (6-0) was another standout little man as a frosh.

Boyd Grant (6-1) starred in several games last year as the No. 1 pinch-hitter. He's steady and the squad's only senior. Another returnee is Bert Christensen (6-3), good shooter and fast. George Stuehm (6-4) will be a front line reserve.

Good shooters, ball handlers and drivers will make Aggies dangerous, but lack of size will probably prevent them from equalling last year's third-place tie.

NEW MEXICO—The Lobos' all-time great scorer, Toby Roybal, left a big hole by his graduation but the Lobos still figure to come up with a much improved club. Outstanding returnee is John Teel (6-6), who has great potential. Walt Kincaid (6-2), a regular forward, is another of whom great things are expected. Floyd Siegel (6-4) also shows promise. Walt Schuman (6-5), last year's regular center, probably will be beaten out by Myrl Goodwin (6-5), a talented sophomore who is fast, jumps well and is a good shooter. Another soph, Dale Gaton (6-0), will get lots of grooming along with Lyndon Lanier (6-0), Bob Martin (6-0), and Joe Willmore (6-1). Squad returnees counted on as bench strength include Mark Southard (6-3), Don Boulware (6-7), and Monte Hamilton (5-8).

In balanced Skyline race the Lobos could finish anywhere from last to fourth. Height is lacking but speed and hustle are exceptional.

UTAH STATE—Normally Utah State finishes somewhere in the middle in the Skyline cage race. But this season it's hard to see the Mormon Farmers doing anything better than seventh or possibly last. Coach Cecil Baker is trying desperately for junior college help which could ease the situation.

Last year's team revolved around Pat Dunn, All-Conference guard, but he graduated and there's no one in sight to fill his shoes. Gordon Kirby, Ivan Christensen and Don Wortley were other front line performers who won't be back.

Ted Smith (6-3), who set a scoring record of 37 points at the All-American college tournament at Owensboro, Ky., heads the returnees. Joe Lockyer (6-6), Larry Bailey and Don Johnson are the only other experienced personnel.

Don Budge (6-0), a fast, fairly good-shooting cager who has been away from school two years, has returned and should help. So should Bob Crane (6-2), a junior college transfer who has played ball in the Army for two years. The only promising grads from last season's freshman squad are Bob Schley (5-9) and Jim Trayer (6-0).

Utah State lacks experience, height and has only fair speed.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

IDAHO STATE—This is the beginning of a new era at Idaho State because of two important losses: Coach Steve Belko and Les Roh, a fine all-around star. Belko went to Oregon as head coach and Roh, a 21-point-per-game man and top rebounder, graduated. This pair produced the best team in Idaho State history and a spot in the NCAA playoffs, where the Bengals were beaten by Seattle.

John Grayson, former assistant at Oklahoma, has taken over the head coaching job. But finding the replacement for the workhorse Roh is a different problem. Otherwise the Bengals appear

well fixed with top-grade experienced personnel.

Lloyd Harris (6-1), a returnee, could become one of the greatest players the Rocky Mountain conference has ever seen. Jack Allain (6-8) is an outstanding board man. Jerry Hicks (6-2) is the steady type and fine team man. Gail Sieman (6-1) developed fast late last season and could become a star. Rounding out the starting aggregation is Conrad Wells, a fast, aggressive guard. Finding sufficient reserve strength from junior college transfers and sophomores constitutes the big problem.

Idaho State is still a power and merits "team-to-beat" tag.

MONTANA STATE—Look for the Bobcats to contend seriously for the title despite the loss of All-Conference Bill Salonen, top 1956 scorer, and Fred Ingaldson, team choice for most valuable player. Otherwise Coach Keith "Dobbie" Lambert will find last year's squad unhurt by graduation.

Ted Carter (6-7), is a suitable offensive forward but needs to learn defense. Bill McQuitty (6-2), is a good shooter and driver. Jim Kelly (6-6 but only 168 pounds as a frosh) returns to the regular center and figures to be much improved with more age and weight. Second high team scorer last year and a great scrapper. Jim Butcher (5-11), part-time starter last year, figures as a regular because of passing and shooting ability. Andy Matson (6-1) is the hot-and-cold type who could be real good.

Loren Sax (6-3), two-year reserve forward, went out for football this year and may decide to forego basketball. Good rebounder. The lone major newcomer is J. R. Snyder (5-11), a transfer from Kansas State. Could help a lot with shooting, passing and hustle.

Montana State should definitely improve on last year's third-place finish.

WESTERN STATE—Lost the two top stars off last year's conference runnerup—Ray Wheeler and Dean Rainbolt, both all-conference players. Otherwise the Mountaineers' picture looks promising, as from an over-all experience standpoint the squad should be about on a par with other league teams.

Outstanding player probably will be Cliff Jantz (6-5), a fast and fine jumper who just missed being All-Conference as a junior. Hot-shooting Norman Sullivan (6-2) played regularly last year as a freshman. Other returnees are Bill Gore (6-4), speedy senior forward; Bill Carmichael (6-1), sophomore guard; Sid Miller (6-0), senior guard; and John Hertzke (6-5), sophomore center.

Coach Harry Miller is expecting big things of Roy Kaserman (6-1), an All-State guard from Indiana, who tops the freshman prospects.

Western State could be second again if scoring of Wheeler and Rainbolt can be adequately replaced.

COLORADO STATE—The school, which enjoyed basketball prosperity under Pete Butler, figures to keep right on being an annual contender under John Bunn. However, the material Bunn inherits for his first year at the helm figures to be a little thinner than usual.

Galen Bowles, last year's third high scorer with an 11-point average, has graduated along with Bob Tucker, fourth high point-maker with a 9-point average. And scholastic difficulties will sideline Dick Daugherty (6-4), who averaged 17 points last year to lead the team, and Bob Lucas (6-2), a rubber-legged rebounder.

Most impressive of the returnees is Fred Diehl (6-0), who averaged a bit over 11 points per game last year to rank second on the squad. Other returnees include Frank Kinney (6-1), Dick Dorn (6-5), Roger Hynek (6-3), Irv Brown (5-9), Max Witham (6-0), and Bill Wright (5-9). Squadmen to be reckoned with are Bernie Justus (6-0), Larry Brandly (6-1), George Crigler (6-2), and Bill Schrader (5-10).

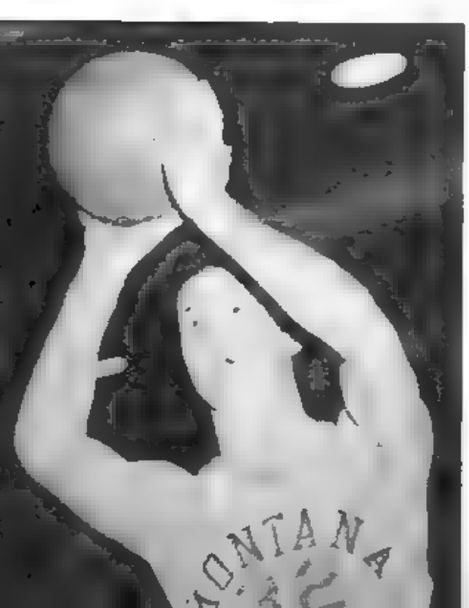
Colorado State normally does well in freshman lure and it's a good bet that first-year men will crack the lineup.

Colorado State is small, fairly fast, has fairly strong outside shooting.

ADAMS STATE—The Indians lost their three best players when Jack Guymon, 6-3 center; Warren Reed, 6-3 guard; and Ignes Lucero, 5-6 guard graduated, but prospects are bright for another fine ball club with eight experienced players returning, plus eight anticipated newcomers.

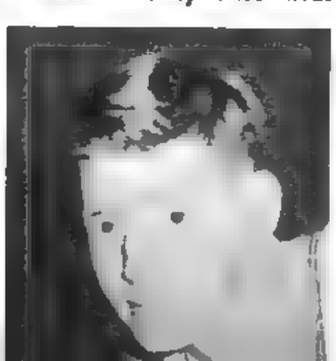
Center should be well taken care of with Marvin Matz (6-6), a two-year veteran, and Jim Graves (6-8), outstanding as a freshman. Experienced forwards are Ken Warmbir (6-5), last year's second high scorer; John Landon (6-4), the team's best floorman; and Charlie Dorsey (6-2), leading rebounder. Guards Bob Talley (6-1), the squad's only senior; Ray Mann (6-2), leading set shot; and J. D. Dorsey (5-11) are all veterans.

New men expected to help are Lloyd Reynolds (6-2), Norman Slade (6-2), Roger Brunelli (6-4), Jim Buckner (5-11), Doug Anderson (6-3), Jack Leonard (6-4), Thomas Hamilton (6-3), Jim Casey (6-4), and John Williams (6-4). Some were



BILL McQUITTY, former Marine, is outstanding guard at Montana State.

JIM KELLY, 6-6 pivot, averaged 10.7 and keys Bobcat Rocky title bid.



CURTIS CROOK tallied 532 points for Colorado Mines in freshman year.

JOHN BEACHAM, 6-2 junior, supplies veteran savvy for Mines cagers.

outstanding in Colorado prep circles last season.

Coach Ron Crawford's club will play ten games with Rocky Mountain conference foes in this provisional season in the circuit. The games will not count in the league standing, however.

Adams State should have excellent ball club and be ready for real good one a year hence when it becomes full-fledged conference member.

COLORADO MINES—Heavy scholastic requirements which allow only about half the practice time enjoyed by most schools always makes it hard to produce strong athletic teams at Colorado Mines. However, Coach Jimmy Darden will field a team this season which might surprise some of the conference powers.

Big reason is Curtis Crook, 6-7 center, who scored 532 points last year as a freshman. He's a terrific prospect and should improve on the form which netted him second team All-Conference recognition.

The most experienced man on the squad is John Beacham (6-2), a junior. With him and Crook in the starting five will be three sophomores—Bill Anderson (6-4), Ed Rapp (6-1), and Ed Crabtree (6-1). This will give the Orediggers a respectable first five. Darden will have to dig up reserve strength from athletic-minded students since the school does little or no athletic recruiting.

Crook gives Colorado Mines stronger team than usual.

COLORADO COLLEGE—With all the winter sport emphasis at the school placed on hockey, the basketball orphans usually find the going rough. Coach Leon "Red" Eastlack's 1956-57 club has hopes of getting out of the cellar but it will be a tough battle even though no players were lost by graduation.

Eastlack expects John Edwards, a junior, to come into his own this season and be as good possibly as any player in the league. Dick Blank, also a junior, was second team All-Conference and figures to bid for a higher rating. Don Young is another reliable returnee.

Eastlack says he will rely heavily on freshmen and can't make detailed evaluation of team until he knows how the newcomers pan out.

Colorado College, probably still a tailender, may climb one notch.

INDEPENDENTS

REGIS—This Denver Jesuit college, a stout competitor in N. A. I. A. regional and national competition for a decade, has a chance to become a real power in Rocky Mountain basketball. Regis and the Air Force Academy will be co-hosts at six attractive Saturday afternoon college doubleheaders in Denver's auditorium arena where the National A. A. U. tournament is played.

The only important loss was center Mickey Shannon. The rest of a good 1955-56 team returns virtually intact and the newcomers boast great reputations.

Returnees include Tom Hoogerwerf (6-0), second high scorer; Allen Hower (6-2), rugged rebounder; Dick Eckhard (6-1), Tony Rendulich (6-3), Ted Sermonet (6-4), Bill Bollwerk (6-2), and Johnny Gatens (5-11), all of whom played regularly all or part of last year.

Terry Sheehy (6-4) and Jim Butler (6-6) played enough to letter. Bob Linnenberger (6-4) is a good defender and rebounder who transferred from Oklahoma U.

Coach Harvey Moore is expecting great things of Freshman Dennis Boone (6-2), considered the greatest jump shooter ever to come out of the Denver high schools. John Waris (6-10) was All-City at St. Joseph, Mo., Christian Brothers school which won 29 of 31 games last year. He averaged 21 points. Jimmy Vigil (5-8), Harold Marcotte (6-2), Dick Lazzeri (6-3), and Jerry Haushalter (6-2) are other new men who come well recommended.

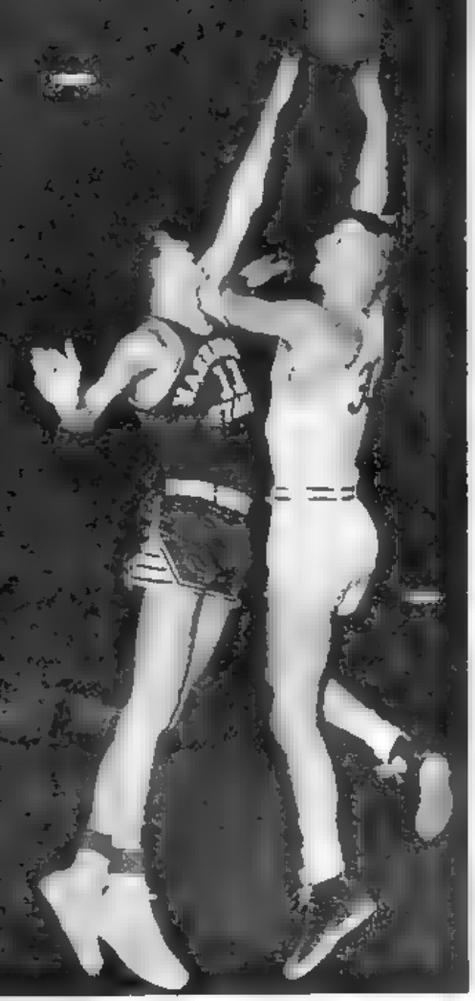
Regis should have fine depth and as fine guards as any team in this part of the country. If Boone and Waris turn out as well as expected, Rangers could develop into one of area's best.

AIR FORCE ACADEMY—The Falcons expect to take appropriate strides in their second season of athletic competition. The only loss from last year's team, which was all freshmen, was George Klutinoty, a good rebounding forward.

Standout among the returnees is Bob Beckel, a 6-foot driver who averaged 28.1 points and was rated the finest prospect in the area. Larry Thomson (6-0), steady from the outside; Bob Williams (6-3), hard-working rebounder; and Jim Gunter (6-3) are other important returnees. Also back are Ted Zeller (6-2), Tom Jozwiak (6-3), Dana Lentz (6-2), Eddie Rosane (6-3), Charles Davis (6-0), Joe Harnitchek (5-9), and David Anderson (6-1).

Among newcomers Ronald Deep (6-4) should help as he is tall as Air Force cadets go. Don Wolfswinkel (6-1) and Anthony Long (6-1) are also being counted upon. Maj. Robert Spear, Falcon coach, will get three more when football season is over—Bill Zersen (6-0), John Kuenzel (6-1), and Tommy Thrower (6-0).

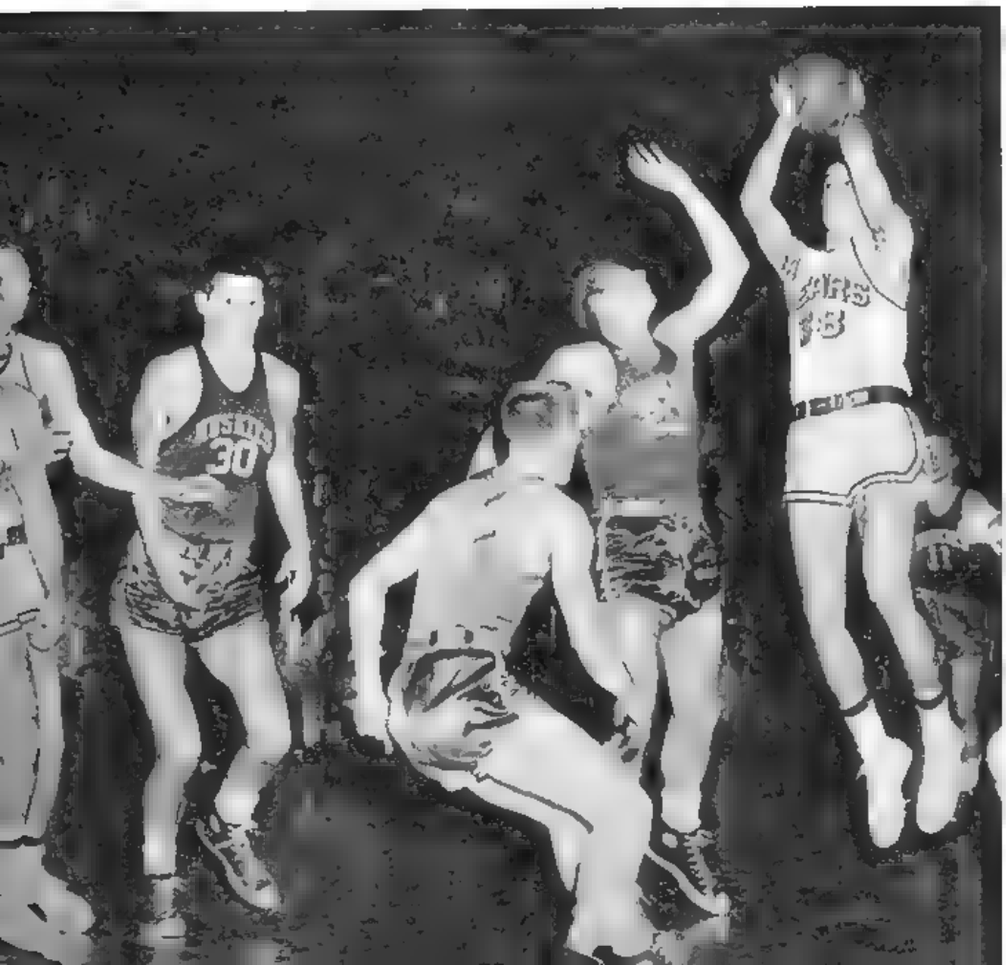
Air Force faces tough schedule considering squad's lack of height and experience. Should stay at or slightly above .500.



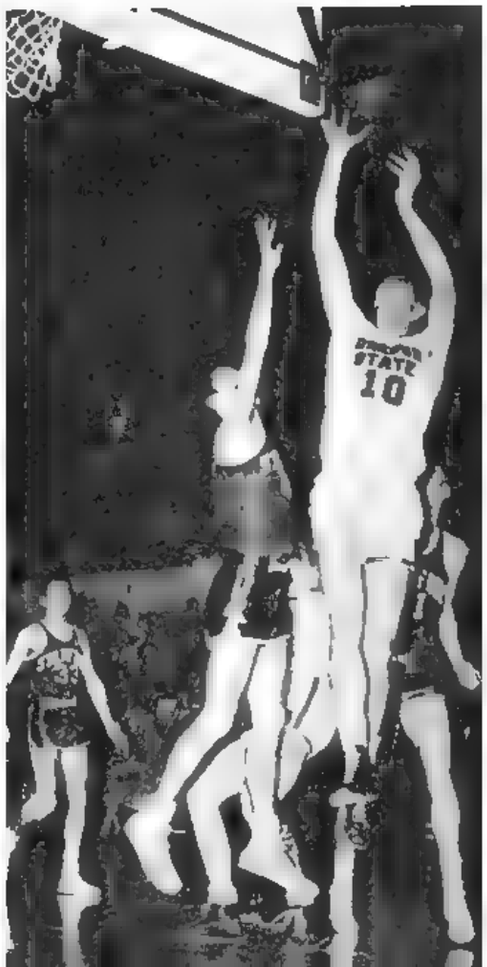
BRUNO BOIN (rt), Washington ace, tops State's Bill Galbraith for tally.

CONRAD BURKE, 6-5 UCLA center, gets shot off despite efforts of Idaho's Gary McEwen (18). Burke hit on better than 40 per cent of shots in last campaign.

LARRY FRIEND, 6-4 California forward who scored 324 points for Bears last season, goes up for basket in PCC contest with Huskies.



DAVE GAMBEE, 6-7 Ore. St. forward, was 4th among PCC scorers last season.



By Jack Geyer

Los Angeles Times basketball expert Jack Geyer has intimate knowledge of cage potential on Pacific Coast.

Pacific Coast

RUSSELL GONE BUT DONS STILL POWER; CAGERS FEEL PCC GRID ACTION

PREDICTIONS

Pacific Coast
1. Washington
2. Oregon State
3. California
4. UCLA
5. Southern Cal.
6. Washington St.
7. Idaho
8. Oregon
9. Stanford

Calif. BB Ass'n.
1. USF
2. College of Pacific
3. San Jose State
4. Santa Clara
5. St. Mary's
6. Fresno State
7. Loyola
8. Pepperdine

Calif. Collegiate AA
1. San Diego State
2. Los Angeles State
3. Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo)

So. California ICAC
1. Whittier
2. Redlands
3. Occidental
4. Pomona-Claremont
5. Caltech

Independents
1. Portland
2. Seattle
3. Gonzaga
4. Chapman
5. Pasadena
6. Long Beach

For the past two years, the nation's No. 1 college basketball player has been the human helicopter, bouncing Bill Russell, of the San Francisco Dons, national champions two years running. In winning two straight NCAA titles, coach Phil Woolpert's Dons compiled a streak of 55 straight, longest unbeaten string in major college history.

All dynasties end sometime, however, and the Dons' domination seems destined to die this year. But not without a struggle. At first glance, it appears almost impossible for a team to lose All-Everything Russell and his Olympic team sidekick, K. C. Jones, and still remain in contention. But the Dons will still be very much in the title picture. Woolpert still has four of his top six men as a nucleus, plus some sophomores and junior college transfers. The Dons are favored to win their own conference, the California Basketball Association, and thereby gain an NCAA playoffs berth.

Meanwhile, the Pacific Coast Conference picture is a bit confused. PCC faculty fathers leveled quite a blast at some of its members for football recruiting irregularities last Spring and, as frequently happens in such instances an innocent bystander suffered a few nicks. The bystander was basketball.

As part of the punishment dealt some PCC schools, both UCLA and Washington were declared ineligible for NCAA playoffs in ANY sport this season. Thus the title and trappings will go to the highest finisher among the other seven members.

Since coach Tippy Dye's Huskies are the early favorites in the PCC pennant chase, it's entirely possible that a runner-up will represent the circuit in post-season tournaments. One thing is certain: the PCC race won't be the runaway it was last year when coach John Wooden's Bruins became the first team in conference history to go unbeaten over the 16-game grind.

Although the presence of their hook-shooting star, center Bruno Boin (6-8) and the addition of record-breaking sophomore forward Doug Smart (6-7) gives them a decided edge, the Huskies can expect hot competition from the giant Oregon State Beavers and California's well-balanced Bears.

The Bruins, under Wooden, are always dangerous. Despite the loss of center Willie Naulls and guard Morris Taft, the fast-breaking Uclans need only a few junior college transfers to join the school's great sophomore crop in order to become a top contender. Southern California has enough strength to prove pesky, but not formidable. Coach Forrest Twogood's Trojans have everything but a center and, in the PCC, that's like going to war without a gun.

Washington State, winner of only two conference games last year, expects its strongest team in years, while over in Moscow, the Idaho Vandals are predicting fine things from an excellent crop of juniors. At Oregon, Steve Belko replaced Bill Borcher as head coach, but the former Idaho State mentor won't find a ready-made team and it looks like a year of rebuilding. Little hope is seen for Stanford, which lost six of 11 lettermen.

In the CBA, only College of Pacific seems to have enough horses to derail USF's Dons. San Jose State and Santa Clara have been tabbed as dark-horses while St. Mary's, which will gain the services of the sophs who gave the Gaels their best frosh club in years, rates as a possibility.

Top independents are likely to be Seattle University and the University of Portland, which welcomes seven sophomores who compiled an unbeaten 23-game string as yearlings.

PACIFIC COAST CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON—When the PCC declared the Huskies ineligible for NCAA participation this year, coach Tippy Dye's first thought was to hold out some of his stars for a season and make an all-out

BRUNO BOIN, Huskies ace, was highest scoring soph in school's annals.

JOHN TUFT adds vet skill to front line for coach Dye at Washington.

BOB ALLORD, 6-5 senior, is part of giant front line trio at Oregon St.

DAVE GAMBEE carries Oregon State tag of top performer in conference.

EARL ROBINSON, 6-1 guard, is speedy and clever hand for Bears.

DUANE ASPLUND, 6-7 California center, hooks one home in clash with Wisconsin. Big Bear was top rebounder on club.

assault in 1957. Later, however, Dye changed his mind, apparently on the theory that the public will recognize as champion the team which wins the most games, ban or no.

Dye has six lettermen returning, headed by Bruno (Boinggg) Boin (6-8), the highest-scoring sophomore in the school's history. Junior Boin will be aided by Gary Nelson (7-0), who was just beginning to coordinate his long limbs at season's end. But the key to Washington's season will be sophomore Doug Smart (6-7), a radar-aided shooter who followed in Boin's footsteps through high school and college, breaking his predecessor's records along the way. As a freshman, Smart hit 288 in 14 games, erasing Boin's record of 270 in 15.

With Boin's deep hook shots and Smart's variety of bombs, the Huskies' front line will be difficult to handle.

The other four lettermen are forward John Tuft (6-2) and guards Bill Stady (6-3), Don Sunitsch (5-9) and Dick Crews (5-10). If the guards provide any outside shooting help at all and Nelson can use his seven feet to advantage on rebounding, the Huskies will be terrors. Despite his size, Boin doesn't rebound too well, so it'll be up to Smart and Nelson. If Washington has any weakness, it is on defense where the loss of six seniors will be felt.

In addition to Smart, three other sophomores are expected to help. They are guards Norm Ihlenfeldt (5-11) and John Pariseau (5-8) and forward Jim Greer (6-6).

OREGON STATE—Despite a so-so 5-11 PCC record, the Beavers impressed one and all last season with the size and possibilities of their giant sophomore-dominated club. Only two lettermen were missing as coach Slats Gill opened his 29th season.

Gill likes his players king-size. And he's got 'em. Few are the stringbean type, either. Most are built like football tackles and, when Gill uses his feared zone defense, they're as hard to get through.

Six lettermen return, and the smallest are two-six-footers, guards Ken Nanson and Jerry Crimins.

The other four are forwards Dave Gambee (6-7) and Bob Allord (6-5), center Wayne Moss (6-8) and guard Gary Haynes (6-2). As a further indication of heft, Moss weighs 220; Gambee, 210, and Allord, 200.

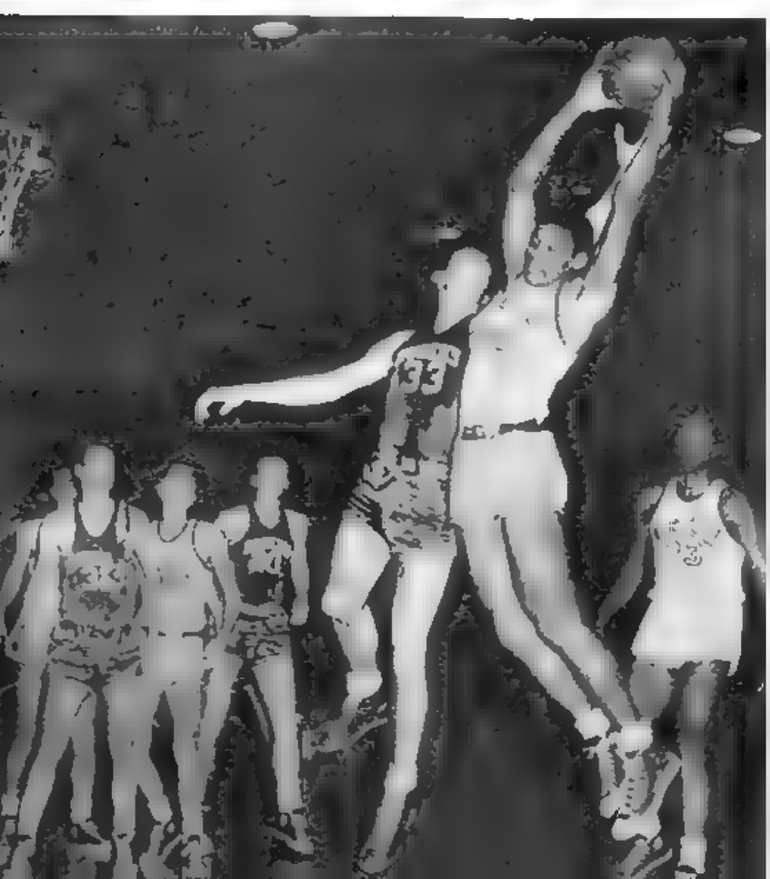
OSC' starting lineup last season found Gambee and Allord at forwards, Moss at center and Nanson and Haynes at guards. All but Allord were sophs. There might be a switch this year because the Beavers had a powerhouse frosh outfit headed by center Gary Goble (6-8), forward Don Pino (6-2) and guards Lee Harman (6-1), Ted Miller (6-2) and Don Stamps (6-3). Gill's weakness for huge men may lead to his using 6-8 Goble, 6-8 Moss, 6-7 Gambee and 6-5 Allord in the same fivesome.

Around Corvallis, everyone is convinced that Gambee is the best player in the conference. He was No. 4 shooter in the PCC last year, averaging 17.4 points, and also the league's No. 4 rebounder. He has a number of shots and is also an excellent defensive player.

OSC' lone weakness appears to be lack of speed.

CONRAD BURKE is one of eight lettermen back with PCC champ Bruins for coming cage wars.

DICK BANTON, star UCLA guard, goes all out to snare rebound from Jim Coshow (33), Washington. Dick scored 200 points last season and figures one of key men.



CALIFORNIA—The outlook for California's Golden Bears is as shining as a view from the nearby Golden Gate Bridge. Coach Pete Newell's Californians experienced only one serious loss, the departure of forward Bob Blake. Returning are eight lettermen who brought the club a 10-6 conference record, good enough for a third-place tie.

The eight award-winners will be bolstered by three nuggets off a frosh team which won 14 and lost but one; and the return of Ev McKeen (6-5), out last year with an eye injury, and Bob Washington (6-5), ineligible the latter part of the season.

Forward Larry Friend (6-4), center Duane Asplund (6-7) and guard Earl Robinson (6-1) were all solid regulars. Friend scored 324 points and should be the scoring leader again this year. Asplund, the club's top re-bounder, will be better, while Robinson, an all-PCC second-teamer as a sophomore, should be outstanding. Robinson has great speed, agility and jumping ability.

Cal's other returning "Big C" winners include guards Mike Diaz (5-11), Bernie Simpson (6-0) and Gabe Arrillaga (6-1); forward Don McIntosh (6-6) and center Joe Hagler (6-8). Sophomore goodies include guard Al Buch (6-2) and forwards Jack Grout (6-5) and Joe Kapp (6-2).

Buch, a Brooklyn boy whose family moved to North Hollywood after his senior year in high school, is a good passer, driver and possessor of an excellent two-handed set shot. He averaged 18.4 as a yearling.

California will have experience, depth and adequate speed. Its main weakness will be a lack of real size.

UCLA—Although the three mainstays of the 1955-56 PCC championship team are gone, coach John Wooden won't be spending the season building character.

Despite the loss of All-America Willie Naulls, All-Coast Morrie Taft and the underrated Al Herring, Wooden will have eight lettermen on hand, four promising sophomores from a strong frosh squad

LARRY HAUSER, Trojan guard, is strong man in battles under boards.

JIM PUGH, 6-4 forward, is hard man to stop in Southern Cal. attack.

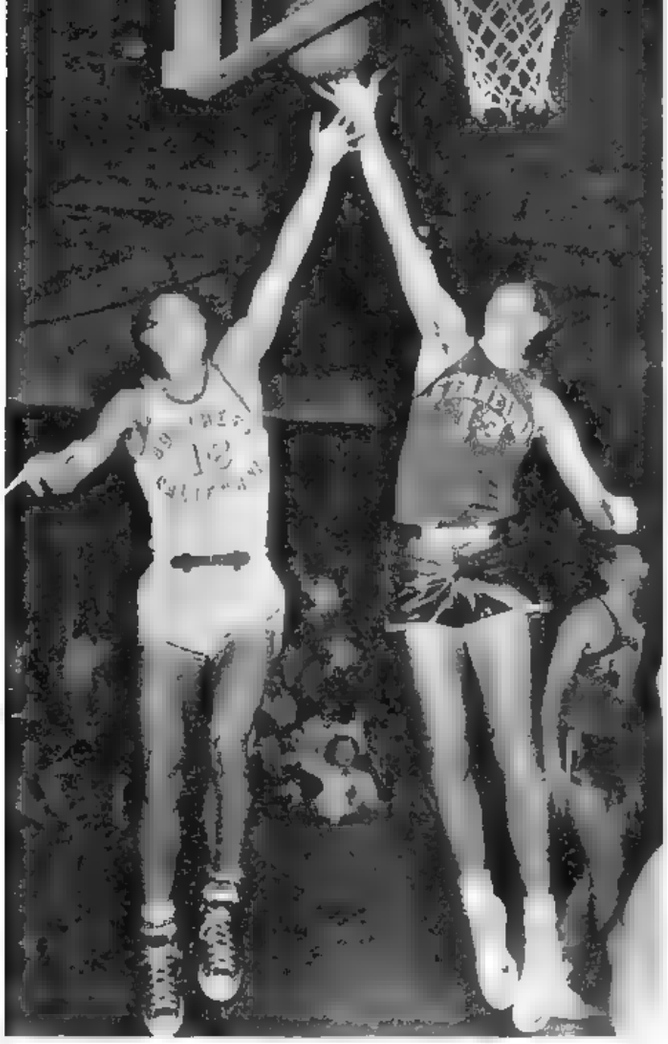
and possibly one or two Jayvee transfers.

The loss of Naulls, Taft and Herring hurts tremendously. They were 1-2-3 in scoring; accounted for 55% of the re-bounding and played 47% of the time. UCLA's hopes now depend largely on four veterans—guard Dick Banton (6-1½), center Conrad Burke (6-5) and forwards Jim Halsten (6-1) and Ben Rogers (6-6).

Halsten and Burke hit better than 40 per cent of their field goal attempts last year while Banton came up with a jump shot similar to Taft's spectacular motion. Burke was the most improved player on the club last year; Halsten showed ruggedness and desire; Rogers was a powerhouse on the boards before being cut down by ineligibility and Banton got better every week and may be the best of the crop.

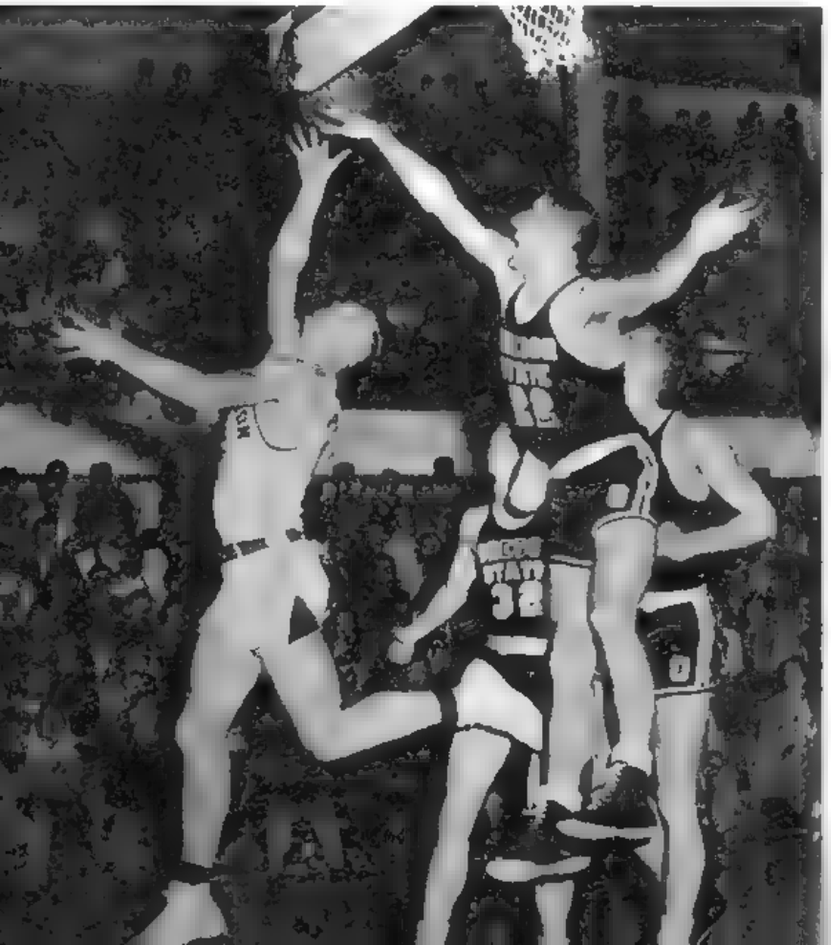
Other lettermen include forward-guard Jack Arnold (6-3½), forward Bill Eblem (6-3½), center Nolan Johnson (6-6) and guard Art Hutchins (5-11).

The four most talented sophs are guards Walt Torrence (6-2½), and Fred Crabtree (6-0) and forwards Bob Archer (6-5) and Roland Underhill

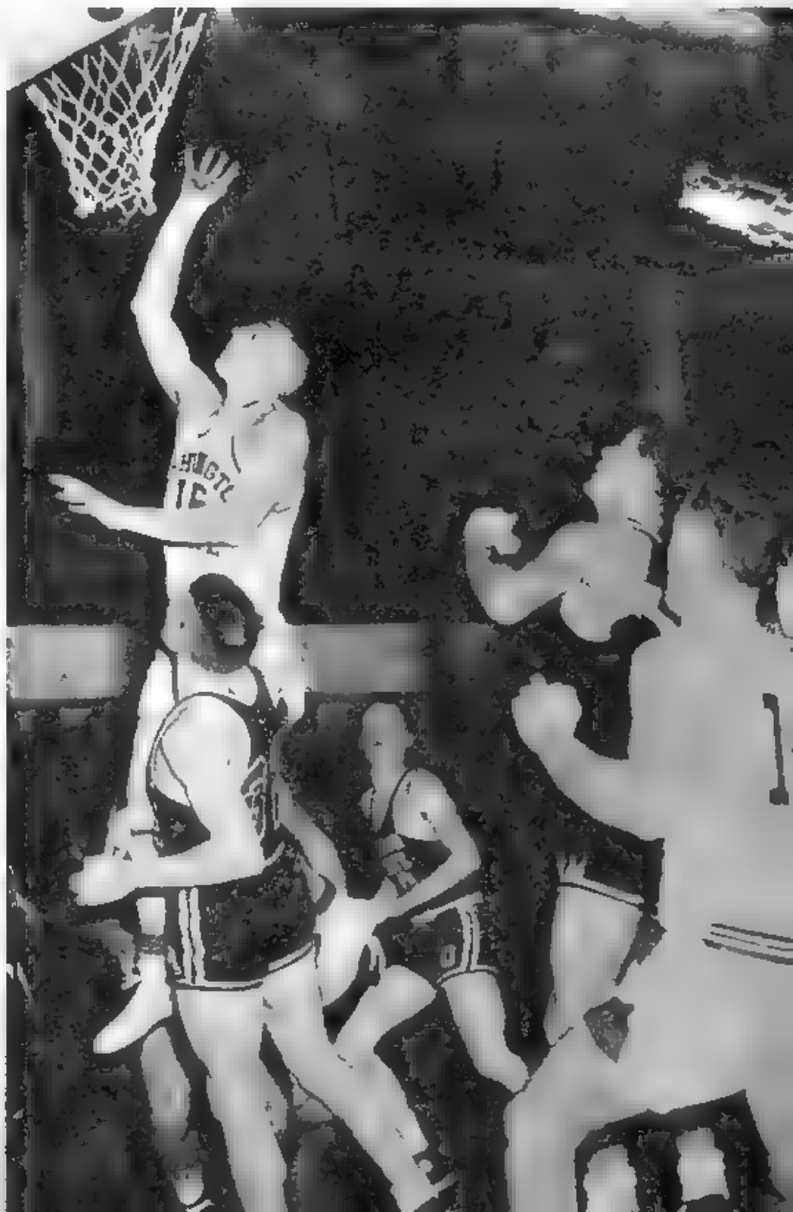


JIM KAUFMAN (18), senior forward who ranks high in USC plans, goes after rebound in Stanford tilt.

LARRY BECK, Wash. St. forward who averaged 21.1, scores with ballet-like grace against Oregon St.



DICK RASK (16), 5-11 guard, shows high-flying form as he soars to sink layup against Beavers.



(6-4½). Torrence appears to be the most outstanding prospect, blessed with a good jump shot and speed.

UCLA's fast-breaking style makes depth important. If Wooden's reserves learn fast enough, the Bruins will be in the thick of things.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA—The Trojans' starting five this year will be fast, classy and rugged, but lack of size and depth relegates USC to also-rans. Coach Forrest Twogood has six returning lettermen on hand.

In addition to his experienced sextet—three seniors and three juniors—Twogood will welcome Kaz Shinzato (6-0), lone sophomore hopeful off a woefully weak frosh club. And there's a possibility that Chucky Reilly (6-0), a letterman three years ago, may return from Service.

Troy's probable starting lineup consists of forwards Jim Kaufman (6-4) and Jim Pugh (6-4), center Ken Pearson (6-5) and guards Danny Rogers (6-0) and Larry Hauser (6-2). Forward Norm Price (6-4) is the other award winner.

Pugh, a husky junior with snakelike moves and great competitive fire, looms as a future great. Kaufman, a senior, has been threatening to have a tremendous season. Hauser moved into the starting lineup last year as a sophomore and showed a good eye and a liking for the rough stuff. Shinzato averaged 22.5 as a yearling, breaking Hauser's school record for freshmen.

WASHINGTON STATE—Although the Cougars made their lair in the PCC cellar last year, they boasted one of the West Coast's top players in Larry Beck, 6-3 shooting star. As a junior, Beck was selected to the All-PCC first team; he was second in scoring with 338 for a 21.1 average, and he was one of the loop's top rebounders. And Beck is back.

Coach Jack Friel will have eight returning monogramers, but only Beck; guards Bruce Olson (6-4) and Dick Rask (5-11), forward Ed Steele (6-2) and center Bill Gailbraith (6-7) are expected to make the traveling squad.

A top soph prospect, Jerry Spanner (6-3), is expected to take some pressure off Beck at forward. Spanner, a fine all-around player who averaged 20 points as a frosh, was described as the Cougars' "best freshman in the last ten years."

Center Galbraith doesn't have the heft for the long haul, but plays effectively with frequent rests. He's one of the best shots on the squad. Back in school is Paul Ronhaar (6-5), who'll spell Galbraith at center. Ronhaar is a good shot; a fine defender and a sharp ball-handler.

IDAHO—Idaho's Vandals, were eighth in the PCC last year and the situation doesn't appear much brighter this season. During the 1955-56, wars coach Harlan Hodges depended primarily on sophomores. This year, he has four returning lettermen—all juniors—and two newcoming sophomores. A quick glance at the roster indicates the Vandals will have fair speed, fair height and fair ability.

Top scorer among the returnees is Gary Simmons (6-0), who plunked in 179 points in PCC play for an 11.2 average. The other lettermen are Captain Jerry Jorgenson (6-4), a fine defensive player; center Jim Brannon (6-7½) and Gary McEwen (6-4).

The new faces belong to guard Wayland Coleman (6-2), a play-making expert, and center Jim Prestel (6-4), an above-average shooter. Prestel weighs 255 and is understandably difficult to handle under the boards.

OREGON—Steve Belko, onetime Idaho State coach, replaces Bill Borcher headman of Oregon's cage forces. The former Montana basketball and football star, who brings with him a 108-52 record

GARY SIMMONS, Idaho guard, was top man among scorers last campaign for Idaho Vandals.

JERRY JORGENSON, 6-4 captain of Idaho U. quintet, ranks as ace performer on defense.

BILL BOND turned in 14.1 average and won 2d team all-Pacific Coast Conf. honors at Stanford.

HAP WAGNER, Stanford captain, was guard on last year's five which tied for third in PCC title play.

for six seasons at Idaho State, inherits a group short on both scoring ability and size. Although the Ducks have six lettermen back, only two of them, forward Charlie Franklin (6-3) and guard Phil McHugh (6-1), were starters.

Franklin finished 14th in conference scoring, averaging 12.2, while McHugh, primarily a defender, averaged but 4.1.

Not much help is expected from non-lettermen as only Paul Tuchardt at forward and Rich Costi, out last year with a broken arm, may prove of value. Bud Kuykendall, a guard, is the best and, perhaps, the only sophomore coming up.

Forwards Ed Bingham (6-3) and Bill Moore (6-4), center Hal Duffy (6-6) and guard Wimp Hastings (5-10) are other lettermen.

STANFORD—Stanford's stout Tribesmen weren't given much of a chance last year, but before the season ended the boys from Farm had knocked over enough favorites to tie for third. This performance earned coach Howie Dallmar "coach of the year" praise from most experts. But this is another season and gone are such top hands as All-Conference George Selleck and rebounding Barry Brown. In fact, six of 11 lettermen departed, including the two top scorers.

The Tribe will be small compared to the competition and it will take a real coaching miracle for the Indians to be in the running.

Returning are Bill Bond (6-1), second-string all-PCC and No. 3 scorer with a 14.9 average last year; Carl Isaacs (6-3) Gary Van Galder (6-1), captain-elect Hap Wagner (5-11), a regular last year; and Clint Waring (6-5).

Stanford's freshman team was only fair, but three boys may make the squad—John Pflueger, Paul Neumann and Dick Haga.

CALIFORNIA BASKETBALL ASSN.

SAN FRANCISCO—Coach Phil Woolpert's Dons open the defense of their NCAA title with no less than ten lettermen, including three of the players who started in tournament competition.

Minus Bill Russell, K. C. Jones and Harold Perry, the Dons won't be the invincible team of the past two years, but they won't be a bunch of patsies, either.

Russell's loss means the Dons will have to change their entire style of play. They will have to be faster and they'll need better shooting. With Russell around shooting didn't have to be anything more than adequate. The Dons were the nation's defensive leaders and few foes scored more than 50 points.

CARL BOLDT (19), San Francisco forward, goes up with COP's Ed Holliday in battle for rebound.

MIKE FARMER, Dons' 6-7 center, steps into gap left by Bill Russell.

GENE BROWN (left), vet San Francisco guard, races to nab loose ball in game with San Jose State.

Russell's rebounding ability had to be seen to be believed. Big Bill picked off 609 loose balls, an average of 21 per game. Mike Farmer, with 218, was next. Center Farmer (6-7), leads the returning regulars. The others are guard Eugene Brown (6-3) and forwards Carl Boldt (6-4) and Mike Preaseau (6-5).

Other letterwinners who played but briefly last year are guards Steve Balchios (6-0) and Harold Payne (5-11), center Tom Nelson (6-7) and forwards Jack King (6-3), John Koljian (6-4) and William Mallen (6-4).

The new material is composed primarily of sophomores from an average peagreen team led by guard Dave Lillevand (5-11), who figures to break into the starting five. Other sophs are forwards John Cunningham (6-6), Bud Backman (6-4), Bob Radonovich (6-3) and Ed Slevin (6-3) and Center Ed (Jerry) Robinson (6-8).

COLLEGE OF PACIFIC—For a one-two punch, there'll be few clubs in the California Basketball Association able to match the high-flying Tigers. As he opens his fourth year as headman coach Van Sweet will build around two players described as the "best and the second-best in the history of the school."

Forward Johnny Thomas, a 6-5, 225-pounder, is tabbed with the "best' accolade while his sidekick, forward Dave Davis, a 6-4, 195-pound jumping jack, is the No. 2 man.

COP followers rave about Jarrin' John who was all-CBA and all-Northern California last year. He scored 480 points to average 18.5 a game, led his team in rebounds and was an outstanding floor leader. Davis wasn't far behind. He was the second highest scorer with 398 for Pacific's 26 games, an average of 15.3. He was second in rebounds and was outstanding in ball-handling ability.

JOHN THOMAS, 6-5 forward, is rated by coaches one of best in College Pacific history.

DAVE DAVIS ranks as other half of big 1-2 punch at College of Pacific for this season.

Joining these senior hotshots are two other lettermen, both centers, Ed Holliday (6-5) and Britt Vail (6-6). Outstanding newcomers include forward Ken Flaig (6-5), a transfer from Santa Rosa JC. and four sophomore guards—Dave Klurman (5-11), Don Cockburn (6-4), Sid Smith (6-2) and Bill Embry (6-0).

Thomas, Davis and Flaig are counted upon to give COP excellent board control. If Klurman, Cockburn and Smith come through as expected, COP will be one of the Coast's top teams. Holliday and Vail provide adequate replacements.

The Tigers figure to be improved in every department but defense.

SAN JOSE STATE—As the forwards go, so, too, will go the Spartans in the opinion of coach Walt McPherson. He will have some eight forwards to choose from, including two lettermen off last year's club, two returning from Service, two off the frosh team and a pair of transfers.

A long, good look will be given sophomore Art

MARV BRANSTROM, 6-7 San Jose St. pivot, developed scoring punch last season.

EDDIE DIAZ (7) hits with easy layup for San Jose State after intercepting Santa Clara pass at mid-court.

Powell (6-3½), who was averaging 31 points a game before he transferred to San Jose in mid-season. Powell was potting them in at a 19-a-game clip during the final four contests. Another boy who could bench 'em all is Steve Burnett (6-3), who set a frosh scoring record in 1951, averaging 31 per prior to entering Service.

Returning lettermen at forward are Gil Egeland (6-2½), a top reserve last year, and Jack Rowley (6-3), a brilliant shooter who must improve defensively. Service Returnee Denny Harris (6-4), transfers Tom Hansen (6-4), and Ned Fitzgerald (6-3), along with sophomore Jon Harris (6-4) round out McPherson's forward hopefuls.

The other three returning award winners are center Marv Branstrom (6-7) and guards Eddie Diaz (5-11) and George Wagner (6-2). And another letterman back from a Service stint is guard Buster Burgos (5-10). Two other sophomore hopefuls are center Arnie Lundquist (6-7) and guard Tom Blackwood (6-1).

San Jose's chief attributes will be a stronger bench plus added experience, particularly on the part of center Branstrom who was one of the CBA's top performers near the end of the chase.

SANTA CLARA—Coach Bob Feerick's Broncos in a state of rebuilding last year, will be doing more of the same this season.

Forward Rich Montgomery (6-7) was the most sizable of last year's starters, joining forward Lu Jenkins (6-2) and center Dick Harrison (6-5) in the front line. Gary Gillmor (6-0) was a guard standout, along with Jim Tanney (6-0).

Gillmor was a prep sensation at San Francisco's Polytechnic High where he gathered All-City honors two years running. Harrison was a product of Tacoma, Washington's Bellarmine Prep where he bagged all-league laurels.

The Broncs lacked height last year, but a few sizable sophs will be available including John Marshall (6-7), Jerry Banchero (6-6), Joe Reichmann (6-5) and Jerry Bachich (6-4).

Santa Clara will again employ its famous five-man weave or "revolving-door" offense. And look for the Broncs to use the fast break, too. They'll be forced into it, more or less, because of the absence of altitude and beef.

ST. MARY'S—The Galloping Gaels of St. Mary's will be wearing a new brand this season with 11 colts off a strong freshman team determining the future. Coach Jim Weaver opens his second year with four returning lettermen, including his leading scorer of 1955-56, forward Odell Johnson (6-1).

Johnson, who averaged 16.8, will be the lone senior. Three other lettermen on hand are all juniors. Lou Ferrario (6-5), Mike Moran (6-2) and Joe Hurley (5-11).

The yearlings racked up a 13-2 record, including triumphs over USF, Santa Clara and California.

St. Mary's had a 16-10 mark last year, was fifth in the nation with a 44.8 field goal percentage; fourth in fewest personals committed at 14.8 per game and 11th on team defense. These figures pinpoint Weaver's coaching abilities.

Although the 11 sophs aren't too large, they're big enough, as follows: Joe Barry (6-1), Ervin Blue (6-2), Mike Carosielli (6-6), Bob Dold (5-11), LaRoy Doss (6-5), George Hunter (6-0), Alan Locke (6-1), Dick Sigarty (6-4), Don Terra (6-2) Robert Tomasini (5-8) and Dave Wallace (6-4).

The Gaels have a fine nucleus and a tough schedule. Like Santa Clara, St. Mary's is in a building year.

RICH MONTGOMERY, 6-7 Santa Clara front line ace, ups Broncs' height.

ODELL JOHNSON, 6-1 senior, averaged 16.8 for St. Mary's last season.

FRESNO STATE—Coach Bill Vandenburgh's Bulldogs will be bigger and better, but not enough so to make a serious bid for the championship.

The Bulldogs boast six returning lettermen, including top-scoring center Len Brown (6-3), who averaged 14.4; plus three good freshmen and a pair of goodies returning after a sojourn with Uncle Sam. Best of the soph crop is forward Ken Stark (6-3). The other second-year additions will be center Marv Bennett (6-6) and guard Dick Hendricks (5-8).

Forward Roland Todd (6-0), who led Bulldog scorers in 1954, is out of the Army as is Don Davis (6-0) who performed at Brigham Young in pre-Service days.

Joining Brown on the lettermen's list are forwards Arnold Athey (6-2), Bob Garshak (6-2), Jack Lewis (6-4) and Bill Murphy (6-2) and guards Bob Buckenberger (5-11) and Richard Diebert (6-0).

Diebert, a scrappy type, is the team leader. Lewis, bothered last year by a chronic blood ailment, is expected to be hale and hearty.

LOYOLA (Los Angeles)—Coach Billy Donovan's Lions, who tied for second in the CBA, again find themselves with average height, but no big men. Loyola's bellwethers will be two seniors who averaged in double figures, forward-center Dave Benaderet (6-4), who registered a 16.8 average, and forward Bill McMahon (6-4), who finished with an 11.9 average. Benaderet is one of the top players in Southern California.

Other monogramers include Garnett Brown (6-3), who could be a good one; Tom Donahue (5-11), Walt Hoy (6-2), Steve Kovely (6-0) Mike Moder (6-3) and Gene Pingatore (6-0).

The Lions will be a ball-controlling team, short on reserve strength and height. But they'll be pesky.

PEPPERDINE—One thing is certain for the Pepperdine Waves. Things just can't be any worse than last season when the club finished with a 2-24 record. They were winless in league play.

Coach Duck Dowell has nine lettermen, plus three outstanding newcomers in Jack Crowther, a transfer from Southern Cal; sophomore John Kasser, star of the frosh team; and Fred Nightingale, returning after a year at junior college.

George Taylor (6-3) is the only award winner who averaged in double figures. The fast-improving junior wound up with 10.1. The other returnees are John Fransen (6-½), Sid VanderWeide (6-8), Don Whitney (6-3), Dick Satterlee (6-1), Ken Rich (5-10), Jerry Sun (6-0), Charles Reeves (6-3) and Wayne Nelson (5-11).

CALIFORNIA COLLEGIATE A.A.

SAN DIEGO—San Diego State had one of its most successful seasons (23-6), earning a trip to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics tournament at Kansas City last year.

Torrid Tony Pinkins, the 6-3 forward who led in scoring for two straight years, tallying 946 for a 17.2 average, is back. Additionally he has averaged 11 rebounds per game and is the club's top defensive man.

Dr. George Ziegenfuss, Aztec coach, must replace heavy losses, however. Six seniors hit the road, including four of the top five scorers.

Back are five lettermen, including, of course, Pinkins. The others are guards Bob Adams (6-0) and Archie Rambeau (6-1), center Rich Gehring (6-5) and forward Al Nordquist (6-4). Also expected back is Rodger Dishong (6-1), a guard who lettered in 1953-54 and then entered Service.

With a few key junior college transfers the Aztecs can retain their CCAA crown.

LOS ANGELES STATE—This Diablo team could be the strongest in the history of young Los Angeles State, which first fielded a team in 1949. Coach Sax Elliot will have seven award winners back and some eight outstanding junior college transfers, including three off the Los Angeles City College club which won 37 and lost but one.

The torrid threesome from LACC consists of Bob Lammele (6-5), who averaged 21 per last year, and Otis Davis and Terry Bazadier. From Ventura, JC comes 6-9 center Tony Davis. Fullerton JC contributes Jerry McDowell, Neal Stoner and Gil Weber while Santa Monica CC sends tiny but tough Michael Smith.

Frank Jackson (6-5) and Larry Brenner (6-3) top the returning lettermen. Jackson averaged 15.6 and has amazing accuracy with a left-hand hook and fade-away jump shots. Brenner was a member of the Los Alamitos Navy team which won the Service title.

The other returning monogramers are Charles Bradish (6-2), George Florentine (6-0), Don Johnson (6-5), Paige Johnson (6-3) and Bill Lamp (5-11).

CAL POLY (San Luis Obispo)—Coach Ed Jorgensen is optimistic despite a rugged schedule. Three lettering Mustangs are back, led by center Theo Dunn (6-5½), the team's star. Guards Len Oswald (5-10) and Atwood Grandberry (6-0) are the others.

New enlistees are forward Ed Fitzgerald (6-3), a transfer from San Mateo JC where he averaged 19 points; guards Blake Neal (5-11) and Sam Gardner (6-1), both San Bernardino JC transfers, and forward Bob Larson (6-4), an outstanding Service player.

SO. CALIFORNIA INTERCOLLEGIATE A.C.

WHITTIER—Whittier College's Poets loom as the class of this small college loop with only added strength needed at center to make Coach Aubrey Bonham's club a top one. They have a wealth of material, including seven lettermen, three junior varsity players, three frosh and two or three top transfers and returning servicemen.

The leader will be Bob Bland (6-4), a second team All-Conference choice and the team's top forward. Lettering teammates include Ron Thom (6-2), Bill Harmon (6-0), Denton Sorke (6-5), Bob Zabal (6-2½), Robert Ensweiler (6-3) and Bob Osborne (6-9). Other squad members back are John Ogle (6-6), Charles Hasley (6-0) and Don Nichols (6-2).

REDLANDS—The Bulldogs shared the championship of the SCIAC with Occidental last year, but Coach Lee Fulmer's co-titlists lost six regulars. Fulmer will build around four lettermen, including J. R. Perkins (6-0), a starter last year; Dan Stevenson (6-5) the top rebounder; Danny Holt (5-11) the best defender, and Ray Simpson (5-11), a capable reserve. Non-lettering returnees will be Stan Young (5-10) and Dave Fitzsimons (6-5).

TONY PINKINS, San Diego ace (17), closely guarded by Jim Bond.

DICK DIEBERT is 6-foot Fresno sparkplug and a deadly sharp-shooter.

A pair of newcomers may help. They're Dean Molla (6-2) back from Service after a 1953 frosh year, and Gary Cowan (5-11), a Ventura JC transfer. Outstanding sophomores are Al Kelley (6-2), Jim Motter (6-0), Tony Pejsa (6-3), Mike Johnson (6-3), Irv King (6-0), Jim Smith (5-10) and Ray Alba (6-3).

Fulmer stresses defense and the Bulldogs ranked sixth in this department in NAIA statistics last year.

OCCIDENTAL—Coach Grant Dunlap's Oxy Tigers posted a commendable 17-8 record and gained a bid to the NAIA regional playoffs last year. With the loss of five seniors, Oxy's aspirations lie in the sharpshooting talents of terrific Ted Tiffany, a 5-11 forward whiz. Tiffany was a unanimous All-Conference choice two years running and is as good a little man as you'll find on the Western slopes.

Other lettermen include Bob Parsons (6-2), a regular who averaged 10 points last year; Howard Saphier (6-0), Al McQueen (6-3), Jack Rankin (6-0), Gordon Lindsay (6-3), John Poden (6-3), Dave Whitener (6-1) and Jim Thompson (6-1). A transfer from Orange Coast College, Bill Inloes (6-6), has fine potential

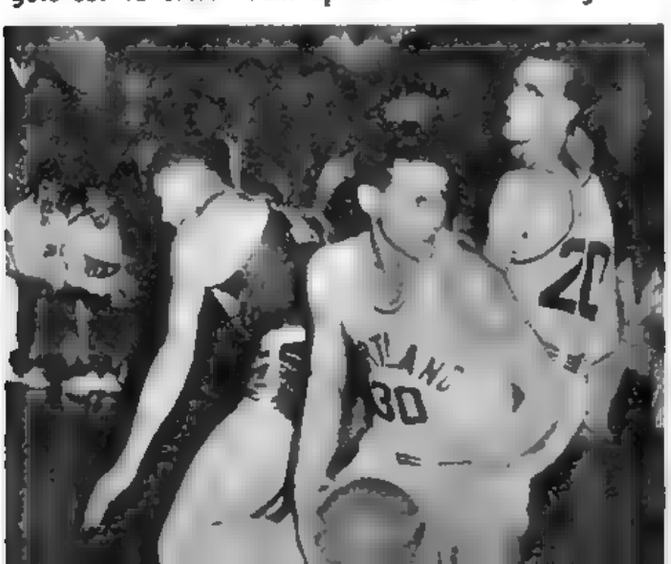
POMONA-CLAREMONT—Coach Tom Bell's Sagehens, who draw their players from both Pomona College and Claremont's Men College, lost five performers via the diploma path, but expect 11 returnees off the team which had only mediocre success last season.

Guard Ron Zumbrun (5-11) and forward Stu Smithwick (6-3) appear best of the crop. However, the Sagehens lack height. They have center Ed Dow (6-6) and that's the only altitude on the ball club.

BOB BLAND is key man in Whittier bid for So. California AC title.

ELGIN BAYLOR is due to take over sparkplug role on Seattle five.

GENE KUTSCH (20), who paced Portland rebounders, gets set to start team up court after snaring ball.



CALIFORNIA TECH—Coach Carl Shy loses forward Phil Conley, one of the greatest all-around athletes in the history of Caltech. And without Conley, the SCIAC's scoring leader with an average of 18.4, the Engineers will have their troubles. Conley is a member of the U. S. Olympic team as a javelin thrower.

Top player should be junior guard Lawrence Nelson (6-0), who averaged 12 a game last year.

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE

COLLEGE OF IDAHO—The Northwest Conference champion lost four starters, including two of its top scorers, and seems destined to make way for a new titleholder this year with **LEWIS & CLARK** sitting in the favorite's spot and **WHITMAN** looking like the best of the rest. **WILLAMETTE,** bolstered by added height, will be improved. Lewis & Clark has five starters back, including its three best scorers in Joe Boutin (6-0), Loren Michelsen (6-6) and Duane Brady (6-0). Among them, they averaged 33 points a game.

EVERGREEN CONFERENCE

PACIFIC LUTHERAN—The Gladiators look like repeaters under coach Marv Harshman, who has nine lettermen, including three of the starting five which took the club to the second round of the NAIA tournament, returning. They'll be led by two All-Conference performers in center Chuck Curtis (6-4), who averaged 15.8; and guard Roger Iverson, (5-9), who averaged 14.8. Toughest competition should come from the **WHITWORTH** Pirates, who have three starters back and several capable reserves.

INDEPENDENTS

PORTLAND—Coach Al Negratti undertakes his second college campaign with a squad composed of seven sparkling second-year men who put together an unbeaten 23-game frosh slate. Meanwhile, the varsity was zooming along to a 20-8 season and there'll be six lettermen returning, including guard Frank Rector, who played varsity ball last year although he was but a freshman.

Portland should be good and it had better be for Negratti has scheduled the likes of Notre Dame, Bradley, DePaul, Oregon State, Oregon and Washington U. of St. Louis, among others.

Top returnees are Gene Kutsch (6-4), who led the Pilots with 335 rebounds; and Jack Scrivens (5-11) a playmaker and good scorer. Others are

guard Larry Larsen and forwards Art Chapman and Jim O'Donnell. The soph nuggets are Jim Armstrong (6-0) who led in scoring; Wally Panel (5-11), Elmen Bloedel (6-4), Dick Jolley (6-1), John Westermann (6-7), and Larry Walsh (6-5).

SEATTLE—For the past several years the Chieftains of Seattle have been one of the leading independents in the Pacific Northwest. For four straight seasons, starting with the regime of the O'Brien twins, the Chieftains battled their way into the Western Regional NCAA championships.

Al Brightman resigned as head coach at the conclusion of the 1955-56 season and Don Castolatti, a former Notre Dame assistant, took over. Castolatti inherits six players off the squad which amassed an 18-11 record last year, but his most important player will be the controversial Elgin Bayler, who becomes eligible after waiting a year following his transfer from College of Idaho. Bayler is supposed to be one of the great ones. He's 6 ft. 5 in. tall and can do everything—shoot, jump, handle the ball, re-bound and run.

With Bayler as the sparkplug, the Chieftains will also depend upon center Dick Strickland (6-7) and and forward Jerry Frizzell (6-4), two of last year's standouts. Help will be forthcoming from the other lettermen returning, namely forward Fred Gockel (6-1), guard Jim Harney (5-10) and Clair Markey (5-9) and forward Bill Rajcich (5-11).

GONZAGA—Coach Hank Anderson lacks a good big man but has nine lettermen back, including three seniors, five juniors and a sophomore.

Bob Turner (6-4) scored 295 points as a yearling playing with the varsity last year and is rated one of the best in the Pacific Northwest. Other "Big G" winners on hand will be Clark Irwin (6-0), Bill Gray (5-11), Dave Tai (6-0), Chuck Redmon (5-9), Ed Madsen (5-9), Jack Kriwan (6-6), Mike Gordon (6-5) and Norm Shabel (6-3½).

Ex-yearlings will be Stu Berlin (6-6) and Danny Vermillion (6-4). Transfer Kenny Armstrong, a 6-6 soph, might help.

CHAPMAN COLLEGE—With enough lettermen to field two full teams, Coach Donald C. Perkins is the first to admit the club will better last year's fine 17-7 record.

Soph Bob Hamblin (6-5) leads the list. Hamblin holds the school records in scoring, scoring average, rebounds and assists.

Top newcomers will be Tony Davis (6-8), a Ventura JC transfer; and Bill Aarons (6-6) an All-Stater from Mesa, Ariz., who figures to play on the varsity, although he's only a freshman.

The other nine lettermen are Dave Smith (6-3), Marv Decker (6-3), Art Bias (5-11), Rich McCarter (6-1), Jim Williams (6-2), Jack Casperson (6-0), Clyde North (5-10), Ken Hazelwood (5-10) and Ramie Alvarez (6-1).

PASADENA—Coach Champ Cartwright's Crusaders are annually among the best of the independents in Southern California. Although he loses two first-string guards, Cartwright has the choice of several outstanding sophomores plus the return of Jim Bond (6-5), who has scored 953 points in two seasons of varsity competition. Bond is averaging 19.3. Last season he had scoring sprees in single games of 26, 27, 24, 29, 35, 27, 28, 24 and 23. Joining Bond on the starting five will be Don Glenn (6-6), Milt Wallace (6-1), Eric Pyle (6-6) and John Slevecowe (6-2).

The Crusaders also have Ed Mann (6-6), giving them four players over (6-5).

LONG BEACH STATE—Long Beach State hung up a 7-16 record last season and this year the situation doesn't look much brighter, despite the presence of six returning lettermen led by Sharpshooter Hollis Harvey (6-1) who clicked on 48 per cent of his field goal attempts for a 10-point average. Long Beach's biggest man is John Miller (6-3), a non-letterman.

CAL POLY (SAN DIMAS)—Cal Poly broke even in its 24-game slate last year, but will be lucky to match that. The club has six lettermen back, the biggest being Ernie Gee (6-2) but the top two scorers graduated. Paul Bode, with 140 in 19 games for a 7.3 average, heads the returnees.

WESTMONT—This little school hard by Santa Barbara expects its greatest season with 13 returnees on hand, including center Dan Heinrichs (6-6), who averaged 22.2 points and topped that by rebounding an average of 22.7 loose balls per game. He'll be backed by George Terzian (6-2), whose efforts last year included 41 and 37-point performances, and sophomore Chuck Smith (6-4), who was tabbed "most improved" on last year's team.

JIM BOND, Pasadena's 6-5 scoring ace, has 953 markers to his credit in two seasons of play.

TED TIFFANY, Occidental's leading scorer with 18.8 points game average.

The Pros

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A TOUGH TITLE FIGHT LOOMS AS NBA ACHIEVES BEST BALANCE EVER

PREDICTIONS

East	West
Philadelphia	*St. Louis
Boston	Ft. Wayne
New York	Rochester
Syracuse	Minneapolis

* To win playoff crown.

BALANCE. That's the big word in the National Basketball Association. Last season, the Philadelphia Warriors were the only team in the two-division, eight-club league to own an appreciable edge over the field; which, of course, they parlayed into the world title. This year, the Warriors' unexpected Service loss of their hot-shot rookie, Tom Gola, brings them back just enough to the other seven teams to give the league its best balance in history.

Philadelphia was the clear-cut class of the NBA last season. The remarkable firepower of Neil Johnston, Paul Arizin, Joe Graboski, Jack George and Gola established the only impressive won-lost record in the league. The Warriors topped the Eastern Division with 45-27 and a six-game bulge over Boston.

Boston wound up six games over .500 and Ft. Wayne just two over that perfect-balance level. All other teams were under, with Rochester at the bottom 10 games below .500. At that, the Royals were in the picture for the final Western playoff post until the last week or so, when St. Louis got hot and pulled away to finish third. The Eastern fight was even tighter. New York and Syracuse finished in a regular season tie, with the Nats copping the tie-playoff and the last playoff berth.

Philly still appears to be the team to beat, mainly off the poise and confidence a championship gives a club. But that advantage isn't as great as it was with Gola around. Not many people appreciate just what Gola did for the Warriors. It's hard to find the answer in the records, since he was fifth in team scoring and second in assists. But the fact remains that ostensibly the same personnel—Arizin, Graboski, George, Johnston, Davis, etc.—actually wound up last the previous season.

The departure of Gola will take just enough cohesiveness away from the Warriors to give Boston in the East, as well as St. Louis and Ft. Wayne in the West, a better chance to go all the way. Boston's future rests with its ability to beat Abe Saperstein and his Harlem Globetrotter cash to the services of San Francisco U's great Bill Russell. The 6-11 Olympic star can provide the one thing that's always been missing in the greatest scoring machine basketball's ever known—solid rebounding.

Russell was St. Louis' top draft choice and negotiation rights with him were traded for the services of Easy Ed Macauley, a St. Loo hometown boy, and Cliff Hagan, the ex-Kentucky star. Avery Brundage probably will be surprised to read that this Russell is such a sought-after pro prospect. It seems Mr. Brundage feels that the Olympics make stars like Russell, instead of vice-versa. Fact is, the Coast star needs the Olympics like Brundage needs another hole in his head.

Russell is costing himself money by fulfilling a self-assumed obligation to help Uncle Sam with his international sports commitments. He's also costing the Celts, if they are to get him, an opportunity to get off to a flying start. At best, Boston won't have him until January, if at all. So they will just have to limp along with a jet attack which poured in a fantastic NBA record of 106 points a game last season.

The deal which brought them Macauley and Hagan, in addition to an injection of college draftees, makes the St. Louis Hawks, in our opinion, the top threat to Philly's title-defense schemes. This now is a team that will go as far as its backcourt men can carry it. Macauley gives the club a sorely-needed pro hitter to help Bob Pettit. You've got to score in the pro game and Red Holzman seems to have improved his punch; at least enough to wipe out the four-game gap of last season between his Hawks and first-place Ft. Wayne.

Last year, when Ft. Wayne clearly had an edge in personnel, the Pistons actually had to come from behind to eliminate the Hawks and qualify to be beaten by Philly in the final round. Now St. Louis undoubtedly is improved while the Western de-

PAUL ARIZIN. Philadelphia mainstay, averaged 24.2 ppg. last season.

ED McCAULEY brings 17.5 average to Hawks after trade with Boston.

fending champs have the problem of replacing two vet backcourt men like Andy Phillips and Frankie Brian.

New York, Rochester and Syracuse have enough veteran and young talent to assure them of a big say in any race. Actually, the only team in relatively serious trouble appears to be Minneapolis, the perennial powerhouse in the George Mikan days. But how much trouble can you be in when you have a Clyde Lovellette, Vern Mikkelsen and Slater Martin with which to start? It gives you an idea as to how well-balanced the competition figures to be when a team like the Lakers, with its known personnel, figures to be the weak-sister.

Rookie honors appear to rest among Russell, Sihugo Green of Rochester, Tom Heinsohn of Boston, Willie Naulls (if he doesn't go AAU) of St. Louis and Ron Shavlik of New York. Loads of other college stars were drafted but, in the pro hoop game, there aren't many job openings every year. Also some teams will be gaining name players lost to the Service. Among these are: Lou Tsioropoulos of Boston, Richie Guerin of New York, Larry Costello of Philadelphia, Dick Rosenthal of Ft. Wayne, Bob Leonard of Minneapolis and Irv Bemoras and Hagan of St. Louis.

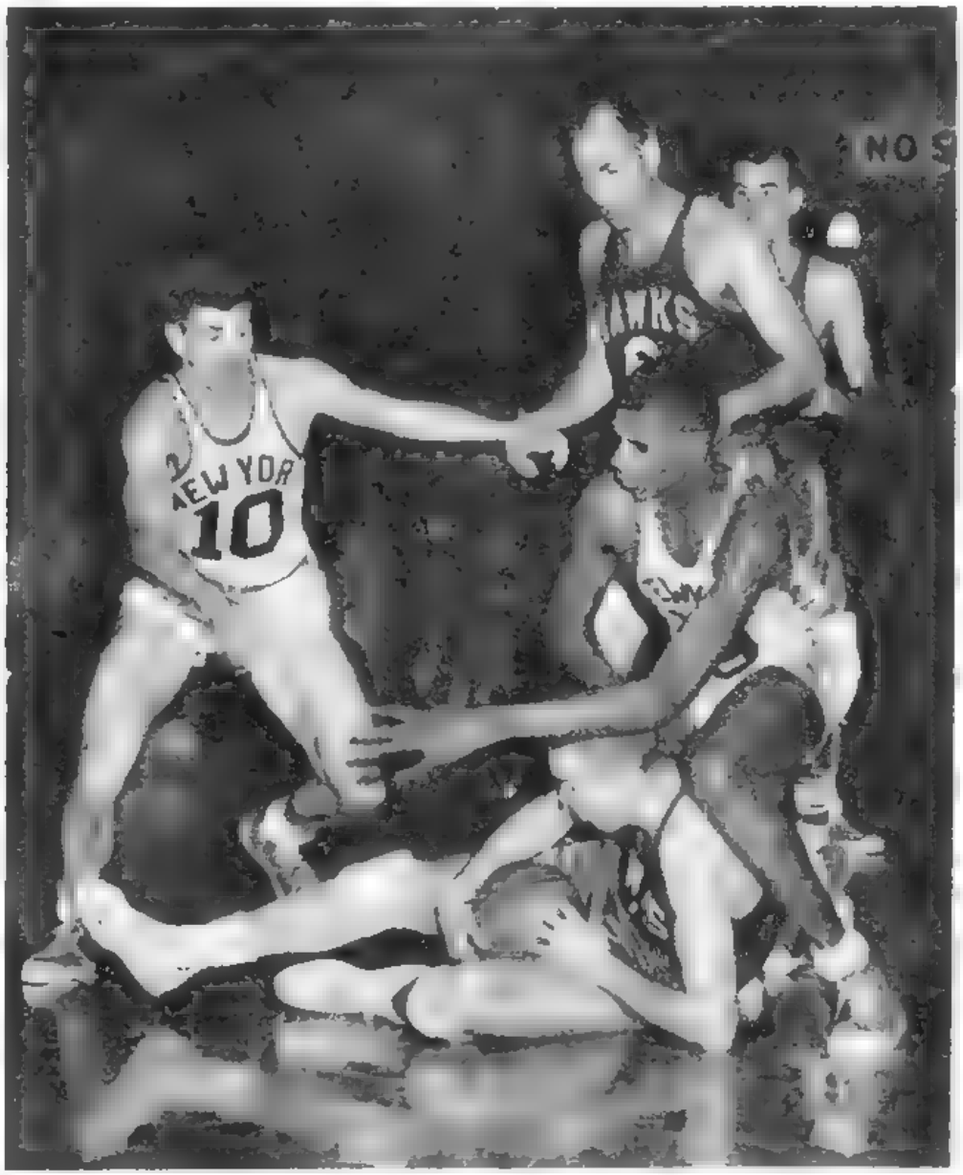
New York's Vince Boryla is the only one close to being a new coach. Vinny succeeded the veteran Joe Lapchick (back at St. John's) late last season, so he's really a freshman in the business.

The 24-second rule has had such a sobering effect on pro hoop owners, they haven't changed a rule in two years. They like the game the way it is now. So do the fans, it seems. Attendance was up with six of the eight franchises last year. Another record gate is expected as the sport booms along to the point where this conceivably could be the final year of an eight-club league. Expansion figures to be at the top of the agenda by the time the 1956-57 campaign closes.

EASTERN DIVISION

PHILADELPHIA—The champion Warriors have back nine of the 10 players who poured through the NBA with the greatest of ease. There's exactly one job open on the squad; the one left by Tom Gola. Leading candidates for the 10th man spot will be Phil Rollins, kid brother of ex-Kentucky and

NEIL JOHNSTON, Warriors' 6-8 ace, teams with Arizin for 1-2 punch.



CHUCK SHARE of Hawks, wins scramble for loose ball over Knicks' Ray Felix as Jim Boechtold (10) and Alex Hannum (6) move in to aid teammates.

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pro star Ken; Hal Lear, the homebred sharpshooter from Temple and Larry Costello, the former Niagara star who is returning from Service.

George Senesky, of course, has a pretty good nucleus for a solid team without Gola. The game's top 1-2 punch, Paul Arizin and Neil Johnston, who averaged 24.2 and 22.1, respectively, last season, give Senesky almost a 50-point start in any game. In an attack-minded league, that averaged 99 points a game last season, Senesky has two other necessary point-pourers in Joe Graboski and Jack George, who hit 14.4 and 13.9, respectively.

Those four will be the backbone of the club. Probably the most important man in Senesky's scheme will be Ernie Beck, the ex-Penn whiz. It took Ernie time to shake off the Army cobwebs last season, but he was a sensation down the stretch and in the playoffs. His shooting, rebounding and ball-handling gave the Warriors two Tom Golas. All that Senesky is asking of him this season is to be one.

If Beck can make like Gola, then Philly should do it again. If he can't, there's going to be a lot of anxious moments. It surely won't be like 1955-56, when the well-balanced Warriors averaged 103.1 points a game and gave up 98.8. This 4.3 difference in scoring averages gave Philly a decisive edge over the defense-minded Ft. Wayne Pistons, who hit 94.4 but yielded 93.7.

Although Lear comes in with a 24-point average, it's Rollins who appears to have the best shot at the 10th spot. The Louisville star has all types of shots and is a fine playmaker besides. Costello, a great college set-shot and the apple of owner Eddie Gottlieb's eye, might be a backcourt threat, too. This means that vet backcourt subs like George Dempsey and Larry Hennessy are going to have to hustle. Nobody's going to replace lanky Walt Davis, who is needed to give Johnston a breather. But Jackie Moore might find his frontcourt position threatened by Lear.

The Warriors, of course, also drafted the fabulous Bevo Francis. But if he makes it, there'll

be a lot of surprised experts in the league.

DRAFTEES—1, Leor; 2, Rollins; 3, Francis; and Joe Belmont, John Fannon, Bob Hodges, Dennis O'Shea, Glen Smith, Eddie Solomons, George Swyers, Phil Wheeler.

BOSTON—How can a team average 106 points a game and finish second in its division? It's easy for the Boston Celtics, who've been doing it for years. Rebounding mostly, and comparatively poor defense, have been the ruination of the Celts. They averaged 106 and their opponents averaged 105.3! There's the answer. And that's what Red Auerbach has to work on.

Help can come mainly from one source—Bill Russell. Nobody's mentioning that subject, for fear that loose talk might hurt Russell's chances to play in the Olympics. But it's hard to believe that the Celts didn't have some assurance from the lanky Coast ace before they traded Macauley and Hagan for him. Some say Macauley was going to quit, anyway, if he weren't dealt to his hometown, where he'd be near his family. But guys don't throw away $15,000-a-year jobs just like that, so it isn't very likely that Boston was forced into the swap.

It's not easy replacing a 17.5 scorer like Macauley but scoring isn't one of Red Auerbach's headaches. Bill Sharman (19.9) and Bob Cousy (18.8) will see to it that their coach doesn't worry about points. Of course, Red is counting heavily on Holy Cross' great Tom Heinsohn, who was fourth among the college scorers last year with 27.4, to do the Macauley job for him. Big Tom also can hit outside, which is where Easy Ed has been spending the final days of his illustrious career. Besides, he's a better rebounder than Mac; primarily because he has the rugged physique to withstand the pro board battering.

The Celts have hopes that George Linn, a 22.2 scorer from Alabama, will justify their having made him the No. 3 college pick. They also hoped to have K. C. Jones, the No. 2 draftee who was Russell's feeder at 'Frisco, but the Army's getting him. But the Celts can't complain because they're getting back Lou Tsioropoulos, the ex-Kentucky star, from the Army; which is a fair even-up swap. Frank Ramsey also returns around January.

Auerbach's biggest trouble will be with his big men. Arnie Risen is fading fast; Red Morrison hasn't come along as expected; Jack Nichols still is a part-time performer because of his dental studies; and Dick Hemric is rugged but too slow. So Heinsohn will have to carry a heavy load for a freshman, unless Auerbach comes up with a sleeper like Buzz Wilkensen, Chet Hoe or Dan Swartz, the Morehead State point-pourer who was third in the country with 28.6.

The job is to keep the Celt heads above water until Russell can come to the rescue. That's something at which Cousy is adept. Cousy, Sharman, Risen, Hemric, Nichols, Barrett and Loscutoff are sure of their jobs. Morrison and Togo Palazzi are shaky. With Heinsohn and Tsioropoulos counted in, that leaves one rookie with the opportunity of beating out Morrison or Palazzi.

DRAFTEES—1, Heinsohn; 2, Jones; 3, Linn; and Don Boldebuck, Jim Buchanan, Troy Burris, Jim Houston, Theo Lloyd, Bill Logan, John Mahoney, Vic Molodet, Hoe, Bob Patterson, Dean Person, Gil Reichler, Nick Romanoff, Swartz, O'Neal Weaver, Wilkensen.

NEW YORK—The Knicks went to camp boasting they could floor the world's tallest team, a combination of Ray Felix, Walt Dukes, Ronnie Shavlik, Gary Bergen and Kenny Sears that would average well over 6-9. This helps, of course, if you can play basketball. Vince Boryla's season boils down to this: he's counting on four rookies. There's Shavlik, the top draft choice off the North Carolina State campus; Bergen, a 6-8 sleeper from Utah who intrigues Boryla because he only played outside in college; Richie Guerin, the great point-pourer from Iona who's returning from Service, and Ronnie (call him Sobie hereafter) Sobieszcyk, Ft. Wayne's top draft choice who came to the Knicks in a trade for Gene Shue.

Felix and Sears, who's destined to be a league great, are key men in Beryla's schemes. Big Ray has been spending the summer learning how to move around the foul area and handle the ball. The

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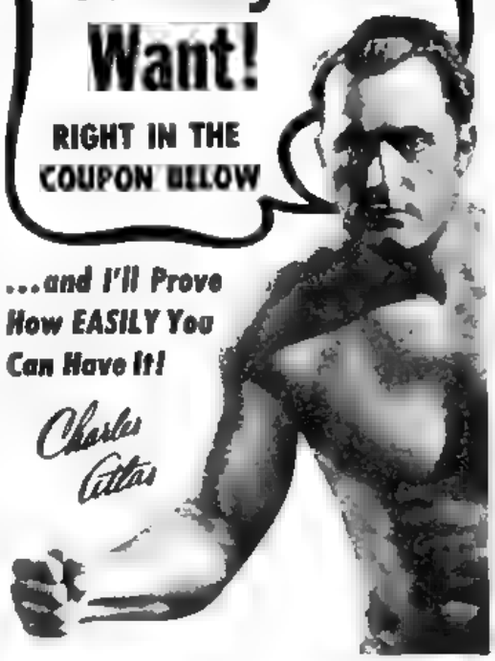

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progress the 6-11 Knick center has shown convinced the Knick coach he will build his attack around Felix. With this in mind, Boryla must come up with four outside threats, who will keep the defense from dropping off to clog the middle, as it did all last year.

Sears is one guy of whom Boryla is sure. He hopes to find another corner man in Shavlik or Bergen, both of whom have the outside touch to keep their men from surrounding Felix. Last year, Carl Braun was the only backcourt Knick the opposition played tight. Now Boryla thinks he has a couple of shooters in Guerin and Sobie who have the pop-shots to murder a collapsing defense.

Boryla is extremely high on Guerin. He saw him in the same AAU tourney which led to the Knicks landing last year's plum, Sears. At that time, Vinny was Joe Lapchick's scout and he reported: "Next to Sears, this Guerin is the best pro prospect I've seen." Bergen is another guy about whom Boryla need not guess. He saw the Utah player as a junior whiz but Gary threw off the pro scouts when, as a senior, he had a mediocre year because he was 15 to 20 pounds overweight.

Boryla was ready to trade anyone but Sears and Felix. But all he came up with was Sobie, whom George Mikan says is the greatest DePaul player he's ever seen. This leaves Vinny with vets like Harry Gallatin, who's being put back into the pivot; Dick McGuire, Jim Baechtold, Braun, Sears, Sweetwater Clifton and Dukes. Gone are Dick Atha and Bob Peterson.

DRAFTEES—1, Shavlik; 2, Bergen; 3, Jerry Harper (going AAU); and Jack Adams, Art Bunte, Howard Crittendon, Pat Dunn, Jim Fay, M. Harrington, Burdette Haldorson, Bob Jarvis, Ronnie Mayer, Dick Miller, Jerry Mullen, Dick Naini, Jesse Prissock, Ed Petrie, Tony Roybal, Howard Sessons, J. Sexton, Charley Stickel.

SYRACUSE—The Nats were the most disappointing NBA team last season. After winning the crown in 1954-55, they luckily made the 1955-56 playoffs only because the Knicks collapsed. When a class team begins losing, the inevitable dissension sets in and it makes for a most unhappy season. This one could be even worse.

Coach Al Cervi, besides last year's personnel weakness, now must also find replacements for two of his slick backcourt men, Dick Farley and George King. The latter, always among the assist leaders, was one of the game's top playmakers. He has gone back to his alma mater as a coach, while Farley, the kind of an expert sub the pros must have on the bench, has been grabbed by the Service.

This leaves the backcourt in the hands of Paul Seymour, one of the best but not getting any younger, Bill Kenville and, possibly, the resourceful Ed Conlin, who can double up front. Actually, the Nats' biggest headache last year was in its big men. Adolph Schayes was the same old solid ballplayer, as he finished fifth in scoring and fourth in rebounds. But Red Kerr had a late start and sputtered the rest of the way; Earl Lloyd dropped under double-figures; the vet Red Rocha got tired sooner and Jim Tucker had a 3.8 season.

Syracuse, like New York, evidently just got old. So Cervi must inject the club with new blood. He's starting with one of the country's college hot-shots last year, 6-6 Joe Holup. There's no doubt that Cervi sees in Holup another Schayes. The George Washington U. star has inside and outside shots that earned him 11th place among college shooters last year with a 25-point average, as well as the top spot with a .647 shooting percentage. And, what's more, he was the nation's leading rebounder.

Cervi hopes that Forest Able, one of those wild-shooting guys from Kentucky, and Big 10-er Paul Judson can justify their high draft choices. Able is an outside shooter and figures to be one of those who'll replace King and Farley. Cervi also picked up seven-foot Swede Holbrook and Don Schlundt, in a desperate effort to get the big man he needs so badly. But reports on these two huge guys are discouraging.

Trouble is the word for Syracuse this season. If Cervi makes a good club out of what he's got this year, he's more of a genius than most people consider him. He's got two solid getting-older vets in Seymour and Schayes, a puzzling in-and-outer in Kerr, a potential star in Conlin and a hot-shot rookie in Holup. That's the size of it, which isn't very large.

DRAFTEES—1, Holup; 2, Judson; 3, Able; and Willie Berginnes, Jack Garrett, Milt Graham, Holbrook, Bob Hopkins, Dick Julio, Dick Kenyon, Russ Lawler, Gus Lovette, Andy McGowan, Jim McLaughlin, Jim Ray, Jess Roh, Chuck Rolles, Schlundt, Marty Satalino, Chester Webb.

WESTERN DIVISION

ST. LOUIS—This could be another rags-to-riches season for another NBA club. Philly went from last to the title in one big jump. It's taken the Hawks longer and further, too. Owner Ben Kerner has been all over the map trying to find a solid home for his franchise. He landed in St. Louis last year, after his pet moving van carried the franchise from Milwaukee, and he was a most happy fella for the first time in years.

His Hawks, despite the mid-season loss to the Army of point-pouring whiz Frank Selvy, made a great run for the crown. After a jittery start, Red Holzman got the team settled once it acquired the professional hands of Jack Coleman and Jack McMahon in a trade with Rochester. The Hawk coach also did a great job in finally developing Chuck Share into a pro threat, simply by teaching him how to move his huge frame around the foul circle. That, and Bob Pettit, enabled the Hawks to throw a scare into the Pistons. Ft. Wayne actually had to take the final two games of its playoff argument with St. Loo in order to reach the championship round.

Pettit, who easily won Most Valuable honors, was the league's scoring and rebounding leader in his sophomore season. His 1,849-point total has been surpassed only by George Mikan's 1,932 in 1951 and 1,865 in 1950. There was a fairly large drop from Pettit's 25.8 average, as Share wound up with 13.6, Coleman with 12.8 and rookie Jack Stephens, who's Army-bound, with 10.3. So Macauley's 17.5, which is a habitual figure for this great shooter, must be an improvement.

What's more, the Hawks have drafted some guys with great college shooting reps. The No. 1 choice, of course, was Russell, whom they traded for Macauley

and Cliff Hagan. Second pick was UCLA's talented Willie Naulls, who will make a lot of guys sorry they let him last until the second round in the draft. Third choice was Furman's Jim Floyd, who led the nation with a fabulous 33.8 mark.

Then they received for nothing, so to speak, Ohio State's Robin Freeman, whose 32.9 was second in the nation. He, of course, must overcome the woodchopping accident that cost him two fingers last Winter. Kerner wisely chose Michigan State's Julius McCoy, who hit 27.3 for fifth among collegians. So, in Floyd, Freeman and McCoy, they landed three of the top five college scorers. McCoy, however, is in the Army. Besides, they have Irv Bemoras, another Big Ten backcourt whiz, back from Service.

So, St. Louis is loaded. Vets Pettit, Coleman, Harrison, Ferrari, Macauley, McMahon and Share seem sure of their jobs. That leaves three places at most, not counting servicemen like Hagan and Bemoras, who aren't charged against the 10-man roster for the first month. Alex Hannum, Bob Schaefer and Med Park, who also played last season, won't quit without a fight.

DRAFTEES—1, Russell; 2, Naulls; 3, Floyd; and Max Anderson, Morris Buckwalter, Roland Clark, Louis Estes, Ted Hall, Arthur Helms, Dick Kinder, Bob Mattick, Junior Morgan, Fran O'Malley, Hershel Pederson, Jim Reed, William Sanchez, Norman Stewart, Morris Taft, Mickey Winograd, Ed Huse.

FT. WAYNE—The Western Division champs have their troubles, too, centered mostly in the backcourt, where Andy Phillips and Frankie Brian must be replaced. That's why Charley Eckman traded a highly-touted college backcourt star like Ron Sobieczcyk for the Knicks' Gene Shue. The Piston coach evidently valued Shue's pro experience over Sobie's potential.

This doesn't mean that the Pistons are poor. Not by a long shot. They have Dick Rosenthal coming out of Service, and this former Notre Dame star gave them a good season before leaving. Then they drafted a couple of other top college scorers who averaged well over 20 a game—Roy Thieben of little Hofstra in New York and Bob Kessler of Maryland. It's pos-

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sible, too, that Joe Liebler of Holy Cross may be a sleeper.

Ft. Wayne, of course, will go as its big three—Mel Hutchins, George Yardley and Larry Foust. They do most of the scoring and rebounding. What's left falls into the lap of Bob Houbregs, who had his best season last year. The Pistons are the one NBA team that stresses ball control. Consequently, they make fewer mistakes, which accounts for their lowest-in-the-league defensive record of 93.7 a game. It also accounts for their lack of firepower, since they also were at the bottom in attack with 94.4. But they pay off on victories, and Eckman's club won the Western crown with a 37-35 record.

Hutchins, Yardley, Foust, Houbregs, Chuck Noble, Corky Devlin and Shue are sure of jobs. That leaves three open, with vets Chuck Cooper and Odie Spears in the running. Rosenthal figures to regain the one he held, unless he lost something in Service. If Eckman can come up with one good big man, whom he can use while resting Yardley or Hutchins, and discover an expert backcourt hand, he's got it made again. This doesn't sound too tough. But you'd be surprised how difficult it is to locate a college star with the ability to replace even an old man like Andy Phillips, who was an Illinois Whiz Kid when most of the crew-cut hopefuls were about five or six.

DRAFTEES—1, Sobieszcyk; 2, Kessler; 3, Thieben; and Donald Moran, Joe Liebler, Ronnie Bennick, Richard Gilliom, Bruce Harris, Cleo Littleton, Happy Mahfous, John Schlimm, Arnold Short, Charles Slack.

ROCHESTER—The Royals believe they solved one of their biggest problems when they landed towering Lew Hitch, who was Minneapolis property. If Hitch can give them anything, this could be a troublesome club. Coach Bobby Wanzer lost to the Service Ed Fleming, who came from out of nowhere last year to supply 12.3 scoring punch. But he gets as a replacement one of the all-time college stars, Sihugo Green, New York City kid who wandered away to play at Duquesne.

Green has as much chance of missing as did Rookie-of-the-Year Maurice Stokes last year. Both are endowed with a similar mixture of poise and ability that marks stick-out players in college or pro ranks. With another recent college star, Jack Twyman, lending scoring talent to the lineup, the Royals must be given a chance in almost any game.

The trouble is, there's such a sharp drop once you get past Stokes, Green and Twyman. There were times when player-coach Wanzer contemplated suicide whenever he had to take Stokes out. Connie Simmons, who is gone now; Art Spoelstra, Don Meineke and disappointing Dick Ricketts were adequate replacements at best. Wanzer is hoping Hitch may solve some of the big man problems and, thus, take some of the rebounding pressure, at least, off the overworked Stokes. Most of owner Les Harrison's draft picks were made with this in mind. He gobbled up quickly a couple of rugged guys in Bob Burrows of Kentucky, Dave Piontek of Cincinnati and Bill Uhl, the seven-foot Dayton giant.

Rochester will have to get real lucky with its big men to become a serious flag threat. The fluid situation is best emphasized by the fact that only Green, Stokes, Twyman, Ricketts Richie Regan and, of course, Wanzer are sure of their jobs. This means that vets Meineke, Spoelstra, Hitch and Chris Harris are in relative jeopardy.

Green comes in with the big rep and a 24.5 scoring average. Burrows, the second draft pick, was Kentucky's top point-pourer with 21.1. Harrison also picked Billy Evans off the Wildcat squad. A sleeper for the Royal backcourt might be Johnny McCarthy, the slick shot who hit for a 19.8 average at Canisius.

DRAFTEES—1, Green; 2, Burrows; 3, Piontek; and Bob Armstrong, Carl Cain, Gene Carpenter, Clayton Carter, Jim Horne, McCarthy, Don Mannix, Jerry Moremon, Kevin Thomas, Uhl, Radford Wells.

MINNEAPOLIS—This could be the tragedy of the NBA; seeing a once-great team hit bottom. There's no guarantee this will happen because, in this well-balanced sport, there's a very thin wall between the best and the worst. However, the Lakers appear to be in trouble because their key men are getting older and, replacements they

hoped to get from the college draft have indicated they prefer AAU ball. Marquette's towering Terry Rand, who hit 19.9 and was the No. 2 choice, definitely intends to play-for-pay as an amateur. And the Lakers have been having a tough time changing the mind of their top pick, Dayton's Jim Paxson.

This could be disastrous, for the Lakers passed up a few guys they could've used, like Sobieszcyk for one, to aim at Paxson. They saw in this Flyer ace just the big corner man they wanted. Rand was to be the fellow who'd fill in while Clyde Lovellette was resting.

Lovellette, Vern Mikkelsen and Slater Martin are the heart of the club. Lovellette still is young but the other two can't go like they used to. George Mikan, of course, is mainly interested in politics now. That leaves such other veteran personnel as Dick Garmaker, Ed Kalafat, Chuck Mencel, Whitey Skoog and Dick Schnittker at coach Johnny Kundla's disposal.

As always, the Lakers have loads of fine backcourt personnel. Besides Martin, Mencel, Garmaker and Skoog, they've gotten back Bob Leonard, the former Indiana ace they got when the Baltimore franchise folded. Leonard is a Service returnee, so he doesn't count on the roster for the first month. So is Al Bianchi, another New York kid who played his basketball out of town.

Kundla must find some big guys who can shoot up front. He's going to give a lot of players a shot at it. He has signed Bob McKeen, the former Coast big scorer. He has a couple of 6-7 sleepers, he hopes, in S. L. Shoffner and McCoy Ingram, who were stars in the All-Service phase of the Olympic trials. And there's Dick Boushka, the St. Louis U. hot-shot.

He's going to give Bob Williams another good look. He's the 6-7 player the Lakers used early last season and then farmed out to the Globetrotters. Then there's Jerry Bird, the No. 3 pick from Kentucky.

DRAFTEES—1, Paxson; 2, Rand; 3, Bird; and Lloyd Aubrey, Boushka, Dan Finch, Gib Ford, Phil Grawmeyer, Bob Hodgson, Bob Jeangerard, Phil Jordon, Don Lance, John Miller, R. C. Owens, Bill Riegel, Gene Schwinger, Jim Scott, Pete Silan, Bill Warden, Carl Widseth.

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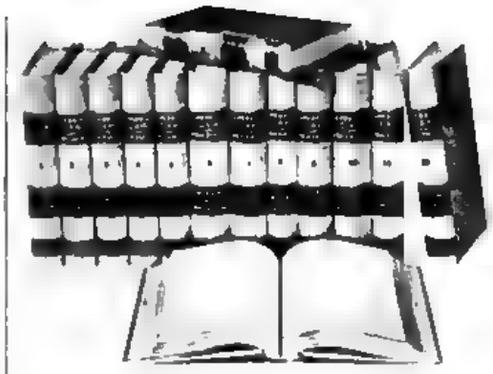

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6—Syracuse . . . . . at Fort Wayne
New York-Rochester
at Fort Wayne
Boston . . . . . at Philadelphia
Minneapolis-St. Louis
at Philadelphia
7—New York . . . . . at St. Louis
Fort Wayne-Syracuse
at St. Louis
Minneapolis . . . . . at Boston
8—New York-St. Louis
at Milwaukee
Philadelphia . . . . . at Rochester
9—Boston . . . . . at Syracuse
Rochester . . . . . at Fort Wayne
New York . . . . at Minneapolis
11—St. Louis . . . . . at New York
Boston-Fort Wayne
at New York
Minneapolis . . . . at Philadelphia
12—Rochester . . . . . at Boston
Minneapolis-New York
at Boston
St. Louis . . . at Philadelphia
15—St. Louis . . . . . at Boston
Philadelphia . . at Syracuse (TV)
New York . . . . . at Rochester
16—St. Louis . . . . . at Syracuse
New York . . . . . at Fort Wayne
Rochester . . . . . at Minneapolis
Boston . . . . . at Philadelphia
18—Boston . . . . . at New York
Fort Wayne-St. Louis
at New York
20—Minneapolis-Rochester
at Saratoga Springs, New York
22—St. Louis . . . . . at Boston (TV)
Minneapolis . . . . . at Rochester
23—Philadelphia . . . . at New York
Minneapolis . . . . . at Syracuse
Boston . . . . . at Fort Wayne
25—St. Louis . . . . . at New York
Boston-Philadelphia
at New York
Syracuse . . . . . at Rochester
Minneapolis-Fort Wayne
at Rochester
26—Philadelphia . . . . . at Boston
Fort Wayne-Rochester
at Boston
Syracuse . . . . . at Minneapolis
27—Minneapolis . . . . at Fort Wayne
Syracuse . . . . . at St. Louis
Rochester-Boston
at Philadelphia
New York . . . . . at Philadelphia
29—Syracuse . . . . . at Philadelphia
St. Louis . . . . . at Minneapolis
New York . . . . . at Rochester
30—Syracuse . . . . . at Boston
Rochester . . . . . at New York
Philadelphia . . . . at Fort Wayne
Minneapolis . . . . . at St. Louis

JANUARY

1—Philadelphia-Boston
at Syracuse
New York . . . . . at Syracuse
St. Louis . . . . . at Rochester
2—Fort Wayne . . . . at Minneapolis
3—Syracuse . . . . at New York
Philadelphia-St. Louis
at New York
Minneapolis . . . . at Fort Wayne
4—Syracuse-Boston
at Philadelphia
St. Louis . . . . . at Philadelphia
5—New York at Fort Wayne (TV)
Philadelphia . . . . . at Rochester
6—Fort Wayne . . . . . at Boston
Rochester . . . . . at St. Louis
New York . . . . . at Minneapolis
Philadelphia . . . . . at Syracuse
8—Boston . . . . . at New York
Rochester-Philadelphia at N. Y.
9—Syracuse . . . . . at Minneapolis
10—Minneapolis . . . . . at Syracuse
Boston . . . . . at Fort Wayne
St. Louis-New York
at Philadelphia
Rochester . . . . . at Philadelphia
12—New York at Philadelphia (TV)
Boston . . . . . at St. Louis
Fort Wayne-Minneapolis
at St. Louis
Syracuse . . . . . at Rochester
13—Philadelphia . . . . . at New York
Rochester . . . . . at Syracuse
St. Louis . . . . . at Fort Wayne
Boston . . . . . at Minneapolis
15—East-West All-Star . at Boston
16—New York . . . . . at Minneapolis
St. Louis . . . . . at Rochester
17—Syracuse . . . . . at Philadelphia
St. Louis-Fort Wayne
at Philadelphia
18—St. Louis . . . . . at Boston
Syracuse-Philadelphia
at Boston
19—Fort Wayne . . . . . at New York
St. Louis . . . . at Syracuse (TV)
Boston . . . . . at Rochester
20—New York . . . . . at Boston
Fort Wayne . . . . . at Syracuse
Philadelphia . . . . . at St. Louis
Rochester . . . . . at Minneapolis
21—St. Louis-Fort Wayne at Miami
22—Syracuse . . . . . at New York
23—Syracuse . . . . . at Boston
New York-Philadelphia
at Boston
St. Louis-Fort Wayne
at Charleston
Rochester . . . . at Minneapolis
24—Fort Wayne . . . . at Philadelphia
25—Minneapolis . . . . . at Boston
St. Louis-Rochester . . at Boston
26—Minneapolis . . . . at New York
Philadelphia at Ft. Wayne (TV)
Syracuse . . . . . at Rochester
27—Boston . . . . . at Philadelphia
Minneapolis . . . . . at Syracuse
New York . . . . . at Fort Wayne
Rochester . . . . . at St. Louis
28—Syracuse-Minneapolis
at Boston
29—Philadelphia . . . . . at New York
Minneapolis-Boston
at New York
Fort Wayne . . . . . at St. Louis
30—Syracuse . . . . . at Boston
Rochester-New York at Boston
Fort Wayne . . . at Minneapolis
31—Philadelphia-New York
at Syracuse
Boston at Syracuse

FEBRUARY

1—Rochester-Fort Wayne
at Cincinnati
2—Fort Wayne . . . at Rochester
Boston . . . . . at New York
Syracuse . . . . . at Philadelphia
St. Louis . . at Minneapolis (TV)
3—New York . . . . . at Boston
Fort Wayne . . . . . at Syracuse
Minneapolis . . . . . at St. Louis
4—Philadelphia . . . . at Fort Wayne
5—Rochester . . . . . at New York
Syracuse-Boston . at New York
Philadelphia . . . . . at St. Louis
6—Fort Wayne . . . . . at Boston
Syracuse-New York at Boston
Philadelphia . . . at Minneapolis
St. Louis . . . . . at Rochester
7—St. Louis . . . . . at Syracuse
8—St. Louis . . . . . at Philadelphia
Boston-New York
at Philadelphia
9—Syracuse . . . . . at New York
Fort Wayne . . . . at Minneapolis
Boston . . . . . at Rochester (TV)
10—Philadelphia . . . . . at Boston
New York . . . . . at Syracuse
Minneapolis . . . . at Fort Wayne
Rochester . . . . . at St. Louis
13—Boston . . . . . at Minneapolis
New York . . . . . at Rochester
Fort Wayne . . . at Philadelphia
14—Rochester . . . . . at Syracuse
Boston . . . . . at Fort Wayne
New York-Minneapolis
at Fort Wayne
15—Minneapolis . . . at Philadelphia
Boston . . . . . at St. Louis
16—Minneapolis at New York (TV)
Fort Wayne . . . . at Rochester
17—Boston . . . . . at Syracuse
Rochester . . . . at Fort Wayne
St. Louis . . . . at Minneapolis
New York . . . . . at Philadelphia
19—Boston . . . . . at New York
Rochester . . . . . at St. Louis
20—Rochester . . . . . at Minneapolis
21—St. Louis . . . . . at Boston
Philadelphia . . . . . at Syracuse
Fort Wayne-New York
at Boston
22—Boston . . . . . at Philadelphia
Rochester-Fort Wayne
at Philadelphia
23—Fort Wayne . . . . at New York
St. Louis . . . . . at Rochester
Syracuse at Minneapolis (TV)
14—New York . . . . . at Boston
Rochester . . . . . at Syracuse
Philadelphia . . . . at St. Louis
Fort Wayne . . . at Minneapolis
25—Syracuse . . . . . at Fort Wayne
St. Louis-Minneapolis
at Fort Wayne
26—St. Louis . . . . . at New York
Boston-Rochester . at New York
27—Fort Wayne . . . . at Rochester
St. Louis-Syracuse at Rochester
Philadelphia . . . at Minneapolis
28—New York-Boston at Syracuse
Fort Wayne . . . at Syracuse
Minneapolis . . . at Philadelphia

MARCH

1—Philadelphia . . . at Boston
Minneapolis-Rochester
at Boston
2—New York . . . . . at St. Louis
Boston . . at Rochester (TV)
3—Rochester . . . . . at Boston
St. Louis . . . . . at Fort Wayne
New York . . . . at Minneapolis
Philadelphia . . . . . at Syracuse
5—Syracuse . . . . . at New York
Boston . . . . . at St. Louis
Philadelphia-Fort Wayne
at New York
6—New York . . . . . at Syracuse
Boston . . . . . at Minneapolis
Philadelphia . . . at Rochester
7—New York . . . at Philadelphia
8—Minneapolis . . . . at Fort Wayne
St. Louis-Rochester
at Fort Wayne
Syracuse at Philadelphia
9—Boston at Syracuse
Fort Wayne at St. Louis (TV)
10—Syracuse at Boston
Philadelphia . at New York
Rochester at Fort Wayne
St. Louis at Minneapolis
13—New York at Boston
Philadelphia at Minneapolis

Following home games still to be scheduled

Syracuse . . . . . at Fort Wayne
Fort Wayne . . . . . at St. Louis
Minneapolis . . . . . at St. Louis
Boston . . . . . at Philadelphia
Roch. . . at Phila. (doubleheader)

OFFICIAL CHARTED SCHEDULES (Few tentative to change)

	East to West	West to East
E —Eastern Standard Time	8 pm	11 pm
C—Central Standard Time	7 pm	10 pm
M—Mountain Standard Time	6 pm	9 pm
P —Pacific Standard Time	5 pm	8 pm

Team on top in box is visiting team.
Scores in box are 1955-56 results.
Bold letter denotes time zone.
When teams are listed above each other, neutral court where game will be played appears on third line.

✻ Conference Game

NOVEMBER 30

Denver
At
Seattle

Duke 87
Georgia Tech 66
Alexander Coliz. 8 p m E

Nebraska 71
UCLA 66
Pan Pa. Audit. 8:15P

Oregon State
At 8 p.m M
Brigham Young

Stanford 72
At 8 15P
San Jose St. 70

DECEMBER 1

Amherst 57
At 8:30E
Yale 58

Baylor 51 48
At 8 p.m.C
Okla. A&M 70 59

Brown
Boston Coll.
(Brandeis Gym)

Bucknell
At 8 15E
Cornell

Butler 51
Ohio St. 73
St John Arena

Carn Tech 69 58
At
Penn State 62 76

Colgate
At 8 p m E
Niagara

Delaware
At 8 p m E
Michigan

Denver
At
Idaho State

Florida State
At 8 p.m E
Duquesne

G. Adolphus 81
At 8.15E
Dayton 87

Geo Wash 101 78
Wake Forest 86 74
Winston-Salem 8 p.m. E

Gettysburg 53 53
Temple 74 72
Palestra

Houston 88 70
At 7:30C
Kansas St 79 89

Idaho 63 65
At 8 p.m. M
Montana U 70 70

Iowa St.
At 8 p.m E
Mich. St.

Maryland 67 60
At 8 p.m.E ✻
Virginia 56 73

Miami (O.) 72 73
At
Kent State ✻ 70 74

Morehead 94
Louisville 112
Armory 8:30C

Nebraska 71
U C L A 65
Pan Pac Aud. 8:15P

Oklahoma 69
At 8 p m C
Arkansas 59

Omaha
at
Bradley

Pittsburgh
At 8 p.m.E
N C. State

Purdue
At 8 p.m.C
Evansville

Rutgers
At 7.45E
Pennsylvania

San Diego St. 70 90
At 8 30P
Loyola (Cal) 74 81

San Francisco 33
At 8 p.m.P
California 24

Scranton
At
Lebanon Valley

Seattle
At
Utah St.

South Dakota U.
At 8 p m C
Wisconsin

St Joseph's (Pa.) 84
At
Rhode Island 72

St. Louis 104
At
Cincinnati 86

Syracuse 75 73
Canisius 87 76
Buffalo Aud. 9:45E

Tennessee
At
Furman

V M I 65 68
At
West Va. ✻ 89 103

Washington
At 8 p m M
Brigham Young

Wash & Lee
At 8 p.m.C
Kentucky

Wayne 98 105
At 8 p m E ✻
Case Tech 69 54

West Mich. 72
At 8 p m C
Northwestern 67

Westminster
At 8 15E
Akron

Wofford 64
At
So Carolina 80

DECEMBER 3

Austin 79
At
T C U 91

Elizabethtown 88
At
Gettysburg 64

Houston
At 7 35C
Iowa St.

Iowa 60
At 8 p.m.C
Nebraska 51

Kansas State 89
At
Texas Tech 70

Kent St. 85 76
At 8.15E
J Carroll 100 69

La. College 84
At
L S U 79

McMurray
At 8 p m C
S M U

Miami (Fla.)
At 8 p m C
Kentucky

N Hampshire 63 65
At
Connecticut ✻ 68 92

Niagara 56
At
Toledo 59

No. Texas. State
At
Texas

Northwestern 70
At 7:30C
Kansas 91

Pittsburgh
Ohio St.
St John Arena

St. Joseph's (Ind.)
At 8.30E
Xavier (O.)

St Norbert 43
Marquette 88
Milwaukee Arena

Siena 61
At 8 30E ✻
St Bonaventure 82

Wisconsin 53
At 7 30E
Butler 67

DECEMBER 4

Arkansas
At 8 30C
Wichita

Canisius
At 8 p.m E
Scranton

Duke 97 109
At 8:30E ✻
Clemson 63 80

Florida State 69
At
West Virginia 78

Furman
At
North Carolina

Indiana
At
Valparaiso

Louisville 99 100
At
Eastern Ky. 70 83

Murray St
Geo. Tech
Alexander Coliz 8 p.m E

N C State 90 80
Wake Forest 81 78
Winston Salem 8 p.m. ✻

Okla A & M 70 59
At
Baylor 51 48

Richmond 66 71
At
Va. Tech ✻ 60 73

St Joseph's (Ind)
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame

Valparaiso
At
Indiana

Virginia 78 107
At
V M I 77 91

DECEMBER 5

Abilene Christian
At
Arkansas State

Boston College
At
Rhode Island

Brown 78
At
Northeastern 51

Buffalo 73
At 8 15E
Cornell 83

Butler 75
At 8 p m C
Illinois 107

Canisius
At
Villanova

Colby 85 66 72
At ✻
Bates 77 70 80

Colgate 80
At 8 p m.E
R P I 53

DePaul
Marquette
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C

Gettysburg
At
Georgetown

Harvard
At
Wesleyan

Ithaca College
At
Army

Lafayette 85
At 9 p m E
Princeton 83

LaSalle 96
At
Albright 63

Memphis St 105
At 8 p.m.C
Miss St. 73

Mercer 72 79
At 8 p m E
Georgia 75 91

Miami (Florida)
At 8 15 E
Dayton

Oklahoma City 63
At 8 p m C
S M U 84

Rutgers 87 72
At 8 p.m.E
Penn State 102 82

St Mary's 54 69
Seattle 78 84
Seattle Civic Aud

So Carolina 76 52
Duke 82 63
Charlotte, N.C. ✻

Tampa 62
At 8.15E
Florida 110

Temple 66
At 8 p m E
Muhlenberg 67

T C U 84
At
Texas Tech 76

DECEMBER 6

Arkansas 53 53
At 8 p.m C
Tulsa 45 51

Birm So.
At
L S U

Brigham Young
At 7 35C
Iowa State

Connecticut 87
At
Yale 92

Duquesne 76
At 8 p m E
Bowling Green 54

Fordham
At
Maryland

Furman 75
Geo Tech 85
Alexander Coliz. 8p.m E

Louisville
At 8:15E
Detroit

Miami (Florida)
At
Toledo

Minnesota
At
Rice

N Dak St.
At 8 p m C
Loyola (Chi)

Spring Hill 47
At 8.30E
Xavier (O) 70

DECEMBER 7

Arizona St. 59
At 8 p.m.P
California 64

Columbia 66
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 67

Michigan
At 8 30C
Wichita

Portland 61
At 8 p.m.P
Oregon 67

San Diego St. 79 79
At 8 p m P
Whittier 69 58

San Fran. St 47
San Fran. U. 72
Kezar Pav

Seton Hall
At 8 p m.E
Scranton

South Dakota U 83
At
Creighton 71

St. Mary's 72 74
At 8 p m.P
Cal Aggies 41 38

Texas
At
Oregon State

Texas A & I
At
Baylor

Vermont 53
At
Maine ✻ 54

Wyoming
So. Calif
Pan Pac Audit. 8.30P

DECEMBER 8

Bowl. Green 72 65
At 8 p m E ✻
Miami (O.) 93 74

Brigham Young
At 8 p m E
Mich State

Buffalo St. 46 58
At 8 15E
Buffalo 66 68

Boston Coll 62
At
Brandeis 90

Beloit 64 71
At
G Adolphus 76 60

Cal Aggies 55
At
Fresno St. 68

Colgate 76 78
At 8:15E
Cornell 82 62

Columbus
At
Syracuse

Dayton
At
DePaul

Denver
At 7:30C
Iowa

DePauw 58
At
Cincinnati 87

Florida State
At
Bradley

Furman 75
Geo Tech 85
Alexander Coliz 8 p.m E

Geo. Wash 81 81
At
Wm & Mary ✻ 75 79

Georgia 68
At
So Carolina 85

Illinois 82
At 7:30C
Oklahoma 58

J Carroll 76
At
Steubenville 91

Kentucky 61
Temple 73
Palestra 9:30E

Lafayette
N Y U
Mad Sq. Garden

Lehigh
At
Army

Louisville 98
Canisius 82
Buffalo Audit 9:45E

Marquette
At 7.30C
Kansas

Memphis St
At
Houston

Michigan
At 8 p.m.C
Nebraska

Miami (Florida)
At
Akron

Middle Tenn. 78 70
At
Morehead St. ✻ 95 93

Minnesota 81
At 8 p.m C
S M U 82

N Hampshire 79 73
At
St Anselm's 87 81

No Carolina 73 103
Clemson 68 99
Charlotte N.C 8p.m.E ✻

Notre Dame 66
At 8 p.m.C
Wisconsin 70

Pennsylvania 66
At
Navy 69

Pittsburgh
At 8 p m C
Northwestern

Purdue 62
At 7 30C
Missouri 58

Princeton
At
Upsala

Portland (Ore.)
At 8 p.m.P
Oregon St

Rhode Island 71 83
At
Brown 74 63

St Joseph's (Pa.) 75
Manhattan 74
Mad Sq. Garden

Seton Hall 56
At 7:45E
Niagara 87

So Dakota U 67
At
Drake 72

St Bonaventure 62
At
Siena 61

Stetson 74
At 8 15E
Florida 92

Spring Hill 69
At
Marshall 83

St. Louis 83
Ohio St 89
St. John Arena

Seattle
San Francisco
Kezar Pav.

Texas
At 9.30P
Oregon

Tulsa 73
At
T C U 38

Texas A & M 73
At
L S U 59

Texas West'n 62
At 8 15C
Wash (St L.) 60

V M I
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee

Virginia 72
Richmond 74
Richmond Arena 8.15E

West'n. Ky. 85
Alabama 90
Montgomery

Wayne 97 67
At 8 p m ✻
West Res. 74 56

Wash & Lee 71 84
West Va. ✻ 80 98
Fayetteville, W. Va.

Wyoming
So Calif
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P

Wabash 54 70
At 8 15E
Butler 86 63

Wake Forest 82 84
At 8 p.m.E ✻
Virginia 69 67

Yale 76
At ✻
Fordham 66

DECEMBER 10

Abilene Christian
At
Louisiana Tech

Butler 70
At 7:35C
Indiana 94

Cincinnati 109
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee 82

E Texas St.
At
McNeese

Florida State
At 8 15E
Florida

Morehead 102 108
At
Marshall 89 103

No Texas St.
At
Baylor

No Dakota St. 37
Marquette 72
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C

Northwestern 61 72
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame 71 86

Oklahoma A & M 70
At 8 p.m.C
Arkansas 66

Rice 85
At
L S U 60

South Dakota 46
At
Missouri 71

St Louis 80
At 8 p.m.C
Kentucky 100

St. Francis, Pa. 48 69
At
Duquesne 63 83

Seattle 77 77
Santa Clara 54 55
San Jose Audit.

Tulsa
At
Texas Tech

Virginia 72 68
At
Richmond 74 101

Wake Forest 51 76
At ✻
Maryland 61 60

Wisconsin 71
At 8 p.m.C
Nebraska 82

DECEMBER 11

Fordham 81
At
Columbia 68

Hawaii
So Calif
Los Angeles 8:30P

LaSalle 95
At 8 30E ✻
Lafayette 81

N C. State 100 106 88
At 8 p.m E ✻
Clemson 83 88 84

Richmond 76 88 65
At ✻
Wm & Lee 78 70 56

Seattle 77 77
Santa Clara 54 55
San Jose Audit.

Wash (St. L.) 67 69
At 8 15C
Valparaiso 55 69

Wichita 67
At 8 p.m.C
S M U 85

Wm & Mary 92 85
At ✻
Furman 81 109

DECEMBER 12

Akron
At ✻
Marietta

Alfred 65
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 67
Bowdoin 94 89 82
At *
Bates 86 82 84
Boston U 85
At
Mass. 77
Boston Col 51
At
Northeastern 62
Dayton 73 80
At 8 p.m.E
Miami (Ohio) 50 73
DePaul
At 7.30C
Purdue
E. Texas St. 58
At
NW La. State 68
Hawaii
So. Calif
Los Angeles 8:30P
Harvard 78
At
Tufts 84
King's 40 75
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 61 79
New Hampshire 85
At
M. I. T. 78
Niagara 71 86
At
Syracuse 84 80
North Carolina
George Washington
Norfolk, Va.
Oklahoma
At
Texas
Penn St 79 73
At
West Va. 81 76
Providence 79 71
At 8 p.m.E
Brown 64 55
So. Carolina 66 89
N. C. State 90 95
Charlotte, N. C. *
San Diego St 78
At 8:15P
Chico State 60
Seattle 73 84
At
St. Mary's 54 69
Temple 83
At 8 p.m.E
Princeton 80
Toledo 69 82
At 8:15E *
West. Mich. 62 90
Wayne 52
Louisville 80
Armory 8:30C
Yale 96
At
Wesleyan 36

DECEMBER 13

Bradley 93
LaSalle 78
Palestra 9:30E
Butler 63
At 8 p.m.E
Michigan 57
Fordham 89
At
Rhode Island 71
Georgetown 69
N. Y. U. 74
Mad. Sq. Garden
L. S. U. 72
At
SW. Memphis 59
T. C. U.
At 8:30C
St. Louis
Texas A. & M.
At 8 p.m.E
Florida State
Western Ky. 83
Seton Hall 87
Mad. Sq. Garden
Xavier (O.)
At
Wichita

DECEMBER 14

Brig. Young 75 67
U. C. L. A. 58 65
Pan. Pac. Aud. 8:15P
Buffalo 83
At
Hobart 72
Colgate 77 63
At 8:30E
Bucknell 74 42
Denver 66
At
Colorado St 60
East. Ky. 67 79
At 7:30C *
Tenn. Tech 71 84
Furman 86 72
At *
Davidson 66 70
Fordham
At
Providence
Iowa Tea. 70 66
At *
No. Dakota 75 87
Iowa State 72
At
Texas Tech 52
Kansas
At 8:05P
Washington
Navy
At 8:30E
Rutgers
Oklahoma A.
At 8 p.m.*
Utah
Oklahoma 65
At
Baylor 55
Okla. City U. 58
At 8 p.m.M
Wyoming 59
Pennsylvania 72 67
At 8:30E
Yale 96 60
San Diego St
At 8:30P
Nevada
Texas West'n 70
At 8 p.m.C
Memphis St. 71
Vermont 86 87
At *
N. Hampshire 73 70
Wheaton
At 8:15E
Akron
Washington St
At 8 p.m.M
Montana U.

DECEMBER 15

Arkansas 50
At 8 p.m.C
Missouri 51
Butler 63
At
Michigan 57
Bowling Green
At
DePaul
Brig. Young 75 67
U. C. L. A. 58 66
Pan Pacif. Aud. 8:15P
Bradley 72
Canisius 66
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E
Boston Coll. 88
At
Connecticut 57
Bates 86 76 79
At *
Maine 68 72 83
Cincinnati 57 68
At 8:15E
Dayton 66 71
Clemson 88 114
At
Citadel 70 69
Colgate 75 72
At 8 p.m.E
Penn State 83 64
Coll. Pacific
At
Idaho State
Colo. Mines 69 87
Air F. Acdy 67 72
City Arena
Columbia 76
At
Army 60
Dartmouth 72 67
At 8:30E *
Yale 96 60
East Tenn. State 80
At
Florida State 54
Evansville 75 97
At 7:30C *
Depauw 81 86
Florida 74 87
Miami (Fla.) 69 85
Miami Audit. 8:45E
Geo. Washington
At 8 p.m.E
No. Carolina St
Harvard 81 68
At 8:15E *
Cornell 50 75
Hofstra
At
Gettysburg
Idaho
At
Utah
Indiana 96
At 7:30C
Kansas State 72
Iowa State 62
At
Tulsa 50
Iowa Teachers 81 76
At 8 p.m.C *
No. Dak. State 86 71
J. Carroll 96
At
Youngstown 34
Kansas
At 8:05P
Washington
Lafayette 79
At 8:30E *
St. Joseph's (Pa.) 68
LaSalle 70
At
Niagara 72
Le Moyne 95
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 72
L. S. U. 79
At
St. Louis 110
Louisville 84 76
Marquette 68 65
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C
Loyola (N. Or.)
At 8 p.m.C
Illinois
Maryland 61
At 8 p.m.C
Kentucky 62
Miami (O.) 60 93
At 8:15E *
Toledo 55 68
Muhlenberg 108 57
At
Delaware 82 69
Navy
At 8 p.m.E
Princeton
No. Carolina 92 76
At *
So. Carolina 75 73
Notre Dame 68
At 7:30C
Purdue 80
Okla. A. & M. 66
At 8 p.m.M
Wyoming 45
Pennsylvania 63 90
At 8 p.m.E
Brown 54 79
Rhode Island 81
St. John's (N. Y.) 86
Mad. Sq. Garden
Rice
At 8 p.m.P
Stanford
San Diego St
At 8:30P
Nevada
St. Francis (N. Y.) 79
At 8:30E *
St. Bonaventure 77
St. Mary's 62
At 8 p.m.P
California 52
Syracuse
Manhattan
Mad. Sq. Garden
Texas A. & M.
Geo. Tech
Alexander Colis. 8 p.m.E
T. C. U. 69
At
Wichita 79
Trinity (Tex.) 84
At
Howard Payne 91
Un. of South 71
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee
V. P. I. 68 77 70
At *
Furman 85 75 84
V. M. I. 54 66
At *
Richmond 96 90
Va. Tech 68 73
At *
Furman 85 71
Wash. & Lee 71 79
At 8 p.m.E
Virginia 73 71
Washington (St. L.)
At 8 p.m.C
Wisconsin
Washington St
At 8 p.m.M
Montana U.
West. Mich. 80 72
At *
Marshall 70 85
Xavier (O.)
At 8 p.m.C
S. M. U.

DECEMBER 16

Indiana 84
LaSalle 69
Palestra 7:45E

DECEMBER 17

Baylor
At
Tulane
Drake 66
Marquette 63
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C
East. Ky. 74
At 8 p.m.E
N. C. State 83
Hawaii Univ.
Seattle
Seattle Civic Aud.
Loyola (New Orl.)
At 7:30C
Iowa
Maryland 62 55
At *
No. Carolina 66 64
Michigan State
At 8:15E
Butler
Nebraska
At 7:30C
Purdue
San Jose St.
At 8 p.m.C
Evansville
So. Calif. 71
At 8:15M
Denver 48
San Francisco
At 8 p.m.C
Illinois
Texas
At
Vanderbilt
Texas Tech 87
At
S. M. U. 68
Valparaiso
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame
V. M. I. 54 48
At 8:30E *
G. Wash. 106 73
Wichita
At 8 p.m.C
Arkansas

DECEMBER 18

Bucknell 91
At *
Delaware 82
Coll. Pacific
Seattle
Seattle Civic Aud.
Georgia 82 69 72
G. Tech 75 72 81
Alexander Colis. 8 p.m.E
Indiana
At
LaSalle
Kansas
At
California
Kentucky 81
At 8:15E
Duke 76
Los Angeles State
At 8:15E
Dayton
Louisville
At 8:30C
St. Louis
Richmond 74 84 58
At *
West Va. 89 78 58
Rice
At 9:30P
Oregon
San Jose State
At 8:15C
Washington (St. L.)
St. Mary's (Cal)
At 8 p.m.M
Wyoming
Tulsa 79
At
Boston Col. 91
Temple 93
Penn 72
Palestra 9:30E

DECEMBER 19

Brown 66 61
At *
Harvard 79 51
Baylor
At
L. S. U.
Coll. Pacific
At
Portland (Ore.)
Cornell 67 94
At
Syracuse 85 96
Georgetown Ky. 52
At 8:30E
Xavier (O.) 90
Holy Cross 59
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 53
Kent
At 8 p.m.E
Michigan
Missouri
Oregon
Corvallis 8 p.m.P
Princeton 84 74
At 8:30E
Rutgers 67 40
Rice
At 8 p.m.P
Oregon State
So. Carolina
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee
St. Francis (Pa.)
Marquette
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C
Stanford
At 8:15C
Tulane
San Francisco
Western Ky.
Louisville Arm. 8:30C
Texas A. & M.
Miami (Fla.)
Miami Audit. 8:45E
Wash. & Lee 70 83
At *
G. Washing. 88 60

DECEMBER 20

Abilene Christian
At
T. C. U.
Alabama
Wake Forest
Winston Salem 8 p.m.E
California 64
At
Arizona St. 59
Hardin Simmons
At
Texas
Indiana
At
Villanova
Kansas St
At
Minnesota
No. Carolina
N. Y. U.
Mad. Sq. Garden
Nebraska 69
At
Texas Tech 63
No. Carolina St.
LaSalle
Palestra 7:45E
St. Bonaventure 77
Iona 53
Mad. Sq. Garden
So. Carolina 74
Geo. Tech 79
Alexander Colis. 8 p.m.E
Valparaiso 71 74
At 8 p.m.C *
Evansville 84 82
Wisconsin
At 8 p.m.C
Bradley

DECEMBER 21

Baylor
At 8:30C
St. Louis U.
Boston College
At
St. Peters
Bowling Green
At 8 p.m.M
Brigham Young
Duquesne 61 69
At
Carn. Tech 25 59
Harvard 72
At
Northwestern 64
Loyola (Cal.) 44
So. Calif. 57
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P
No. Carolina
At
Dartmouth
Nevada
At
Portland (Ore.)
So. Carolina 65
At 8 p.m.E
Georgia 68
San Francisco
At 8:15C
Washington (St. L.)
Wyoming
At 8 p.m.C
Omaha

DECEMBER 22

Alabama
Canisius
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E
Bowling Green
At 8 p.m.M
Brigham Young
Boston Coll. 53
At
Seton Hall 68
Brown 83
At 8:15E *
Cornell 82
Connecticut 82 84
Manhattan 85 75
Mad. Sq. Garden
California 84
At
Arizona 74
Detroit 48 61
At 8 p.m.C *
Okla. A. & M. 74 51
Houston 85
Miami (Fla.) 77
Miami Audit. 8:45E
Howard Payne
At
T. C. U.
Idaho State 59
At 8 p.m.C
Tulsa 60
Kansas State
At 7:30C
Iowa
Loyola (Chi.) 88
At
Minnesota 73
L. S. U. 65
At
Loyola (N. Orl.) 71
Marquette 90
At 8 p.m.E
Michigan State 81
N. C. State 92
At
West Va. 71
Notre Dame 75
Louisville 80
Ky. Fairgrounds 8:30C
Nevada
At
Portland (Ore.)
No. Carolina
Holy Cross
Boston Garden
Purdue 67
At 8:15E
Butler 59
Pittsburgh 75
At 8 p.m.E
Michigan 66
Stanford
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee
Tulane 66
Ohio State 72
St. John Arena
Utah
St. John's, N. Y.
Mad. Sq. Garden
Wisconsin 66
At 7:30C
Kansas 74
Wyoming
At 7:35C
Iowa State

DECEMBER 26

U. C. L. A.
At 8:30C
St. Louis

DECEMBER 27

Cornell
Canisius
Buffalo Stadium
Col. Pacific 67
At 8 p.m.P
California 70
Yale
At
Bradley

DECEMBER 28

Arizona U.
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee
Colorado A. & M. 63
Idaho 72
Idaho Falls
Fresno State
At
Portland (Ore.)
No. Texas State
At
West Texas State
Princeton
At 8 p.m.C
Illinois
U. C. L. A.
At 8:15E
Butler

DECEMBER 29

Bradley
At
Cincinnati
Colorado A. & M. 83
Idaho 58
Twin Falls
Fresno State
At
Portland
Minnesota
Cornell
Buffalo Stadium
Michigan 51
At
Wash. (St. L.) 66
No. Texas State
At
Texas Western
Princeton 61
At 7:30C
Purdue 73
San Jose St.
At 8 p.m.P
California
U. C. L. A.
At 7:35C
Indiana
Yale
At 8 p.m.C
Wisconsin

DECEMBER 31

Georgia 83 69
At 8:15E *
Florida 73 82
Harvard
At
Quantico Marines
West. Mich. 89 62
At 8 p.m.C
Loyola (Chi.) 52 68
Yale
At 8 p.m.C
Northwestern

JANUARY 1

Denver
At
Butler
Georgia 76 75
At
Florida State 79 80
Northeastern 59
At 8:30E
Boston U. 73
Princeton
Ohio State
St. John Arena
William & Mary
At 8 p.m.E
Tennessee
Yale
At 8 p.m.E
Michigan

JANUARY 2

Baylor 68 72
At 8 p.m.C *
S. M. U. 89 92
Canisius 96
At
Detroit 75
Dartmouth 83
At
Connecticut 84
Gonzaga
At 8 p.m.
South Dakota
Harvard
At
No. Carolina
Houston
At *
Drake
Murray St. 88 104
At 7:30C *
Middle Tenn. 66 82
McNeese
At
E. Texas State
No. Carolina
At
Harvard
Rice 89 94
At *
Texas A. & M. 77 61
Valparaiso 55 59
At 8:15C
Wash. (St. L.) 67 69
Villanova
At 8 p.m.E
Muhlenberg
Western Ky. 73 74
At
Xavier (O.) 72 75

JANUARY 3

Colorado
Miami (Fla.)
Miami Audit. 8:45E
Duquesne 52 87
At 8:15E
Dayton 68 86
Harvard
Geo. Tech
Alexander Colis. 8 p.m.E
Marshall 99 82
At 8 p.m.E *
Miami (O.) 93 103
No. Texas St. 80 67
At
Lamar Tech 61 78
Wake Forest 86 74
At 8:30E
Geo. Wash. 101 78

JANUARY 4

Bowdoin 83
At
Amherst 77
California 87 73
At 8:05P *
Wash. State 55 59
Col. Pacific 62 73
At *
St. Mary's 58 72
Colo. Mines 73 62
At 8 p.m.M *
Montana St 88 69
Cal. Aggies 57 51
At *
San Fran. St. 60 60
Harvard
At
Loyola (N. Orl.)
Houston 82 72
At 8:30C *
Wichita 77 82
Lehigh 33
At
Frank & Marsh. 64
Montana U. 44 73
At 8 p.m.M *
Brig. Young 73 95
No. Dak. St. 79 63
At 8 p.m.C *
So. Dak. St. 96 83
No. Dakota 62 65
At 8 p.m.C *
So. Dakota 82 66
Oregon State 69 50
At 8 p.m.P *
Stanford 59 75
Providence 75 82
At
Rhode Island 84 80
San Diego St.
At 8:15P *
Santa Barbara
St. Francis (NY) 76 83
St. Joe's (Pa.) 80 93
Palestra
Springfield 98
At *
N. Hampshire 49
San Jose St. 40 52
At *
San Francisco 67 70
U. C. L. A. 92 78
At *
Idaho 73 64
Washington 105 71
At *
So. Calif. 84 67
Wake Forest
Temple
Palestra 9:30E

JANUARY 5

Albright 68
At 9:05E
Seton Hall 79
Arkansas 61 98
At ✱
Texas A & M 52 66
Butler 69 83
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame 81 74
Colgate 86
N Y U 69
Mad Sq. Garden
Colo. Mines 73 62
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Montana St. 88 69
Creighton
At 8:15E
Cornell
California 87 73
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 55 59
Drake 65 77
At 8:15E ✱
Detroit 81 87
Duquesne 52 79
At
Cincinnati 74 95
Depauw 81 86
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Evansville 75 97
E. Texas St. 71 67
At ✱
SW Texas St. 69 66
Furman 71 73 74
At ✱
West Va. 85 76 77
Fordham 63
Canisius 71
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E
Georgetown 52
At
St. Peter's 69
Georgia Tech 51 62
At 8 p.m. ✱
Kentucky 104 51
Gettysburg 100 74
At
Muhlenberg 94 84
Hardin Simmons 53
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas Western 78
Illinois 95 97
At ✱
Minnesota 84 81
Kansas St. 86 61 71
At 7:30C ✱
Oklahoma 64 50 63
Kent State 66 93
At 8:15E ✱
Toledo 72 99
Lafayette
At 9 p.m.E
Pittsburgh
L S U 98 77
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 91 96
Loyola (Chi.) 59 73
Marquette 68 80
Milwaukee Arena 8:30C
Louisville
At
DePaul
Loyola (Cal.) 58 70
At 8:05P ✱
Cal. Pacific 55 63
Miami (O.) 93
At 8p.m.E ✱
Bowling Green 72
Mississippi 65
At ✱
Alabama 69
Mississippi St. 81
At 7:30C
Auburn 68
Massachusetts 78
At ✱
Vermont 58
Missouri 85 76
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas 78 54
Manhattan
LaSalle
Palestra 9:30E
Maryland 59 63
At ✱
So. Carolina 57 52
Michigan 73 76
At 7:30C ✱
Indiana 97 80
M. Harvey 76 91
At
Marshall 115 109
N. C. State 58 90
At 8:15E ✱
Duke 88 81
Ohio State 73
At 7:30C ✱
Iowa 88
Oregon St. 89 50
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Stanford 59 76
Oklahoma City 97
At 8 p.m.C
Memphis St. 81
Princeton 89 61
At 7:45E ✱
Pennsylvania 70 76
Purdue 44 63
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Mich. St. 62 56
Lafayette
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh
Penn State 62 76
At
Carn. Tech. 69 66
Rice 80 89
At ✱
T C U 60 72
St. John's (N Y) 80
At 8:30C
St. Louis 88
S. F. Austin 62 57
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas A & I 55 51
S. Diego St. 81 64 93
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Poly 69 67 69
Scranton 79
At
Lycoming 62
St. Bonaventure 54
Villanova 72
Palestra 7:45E
San Fran. St. 60 60
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Aggies 57 51
Seattle 59 84 88 88
At
Portland 62 97 77 66
Texas 101 80
At ✱
Baylor 95 73
Tulane 54
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 61
U C L A 92 78
At ✱
Idaho 73 61
Vanderbilt 84 96
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Tennessee 57 68
Washington 105 71
At ✱
So. Calif. 84 67
Wisconsin 79 78
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Northwestern 55 70
Western Ky. 88 70
At
Murray St. 77 74
Xavier (O.)
Iona
Mad Sq. Garden
Yale 92
At
Connecticut 67

JANUARY 7

Arkansas 84 65
At ✱
Rice 70 86
Citadel 59 59
At 8 p.m.E ✱
V M I 76 90
Colorado 77 78
At ✱
Nebraska 52 63
Detroit 72
Marquette 71
Milwauk. Arena 8:30C
Drake 79
At ✱
Bradley 73
East Ky. 82 88
At 7:30C ✱
Middle Tenn. 69 75
Furman 85 75 84
At ✱
V P I 68 77 70
Hardin Sim. 53 63
At ✱
N. Mex. A & M 56 57
Iowa 96
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Illinois 72
Iowa St. 88 66
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Missouri 85 73
Kansas 77 68
At 7:30C ✱
Oklahoma 65 69
L S U 91
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 90
Loyola (Chi.)
At
Kentucky
Michigan 76 75
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Mich. State 86 76
Mississippi 76
At ✱
Auburn 79
Morehead State
At 8:30E
St. Bonaventure
Miss. St. 75
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Alabama 67
Notre Dame 71 86
At 8 p.m.C
Northwestern 72 61
Purdue 70
At ✱
Ohio State 69
Sul Ross 76 84
At ✱
Lamar Tech 74 90
Syracuse 102
At
Connecticut 82
S. F. Austin 60 99
At ✱
SW Texas 77 94
Tulsa 62 60
At ✱
Houston 71 66
Tulane 72
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 56
Vanderbilt 72 67
Geo. Tech 59 64
New Coliseum 8 p.m.E ✱
Villanova 61
At
Duquesne 80
West Texas St. 71
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas Western 83
Wyoming 74 66
At 8:15M ✱
Denver 80 51
Wisconsin 71 69
At 7:30C ✱
Indiana 76 67
W. Texas St. 71 86
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas West'n 83 79

JANUARY 8

Akron 100
At ✱
Muskingum 76
Butler 75 77
At ✱
St. Jose (Ind.) 74 58
Colorado 77 76
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Nebraska 52 63
Columbia 77 78
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Princeton 69 69
Canisius 73
At 8:15E
Dayton 82
Geo. Wash. 70 93
At
Georgetown 67 77
Morehead State
At
Niagara
M I T 59
At
Harvard 60
Muhlenberg 90
At
Colgate 74
N. Hampshire 76
At
Northeastern 84
No. Dakota U.
Montana State
New MS Fieldh'ce 8p.m. ✱
No. Carolina 115
At
Wm. & Mary 63
Richmond 74
At 8 p.m.E
Virginia 72
Rhode Island 61
At
Holy Cross 105
S. Dakota St. 90 101
At ✱
Morningside 69 82
S M U 97 92
At ✱
Texas A & M 68 80
Stanford 66 70
At 8 p.m.P ✱
California 83 68
San Fran. U. 74 80
Santa Clara 56 44
San Jose Audit
T C U 73 60 67
At ✱
Texas 67 66 74
Wabash 54 72
At 7:30C ✱
Depauw 84 85
West Va. 84 77
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh 70 94

JANUARY 9

Amherst 66
At
Army 57
Brown 53 65
At 8:30E ✱
Yale 81 71
Bates 88 82 84
At ✱
Bowdoin 94 89 82
Bowling Green 69 60
At 8:15E ✱
Toledo 71 73
Beloit 60 58
At 8:15C
Wash. (St. L.) 72 65
Cornell 67 83
At 7:45E ✱
Pennsylvania 72 78
Davidson 66 70
At ✱
Furman 86 72
Hobart 72
At 8:15E
Buffalo 83
Memphis St. 75
Louisville 85
(Armory) 8:30C
Muhlenberg 90
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 74
Northeastern 64
At
Harvard 72
Ohio Univ. 71 63
At ✱
Marshall 87 72
Occidental 80 76
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Whittier 60 73
Syracuse 85 79
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 69 61
St. Joseph's (Pa.) 69
La Salle 56
Palestra 9:30E
St. Louis 90 103
At 8:30C ✱
Wichita 88 109
Tenn. Tech 62 81
At ✱
Murray 95 76
Temple 77
At
Penn. St. 58
Xavier (O.) 66 79
Cincinnati 71 72
Cincl. Gardens 8:30E

JANUARY 10

Bradley 40 46
At ✱
Okla. A & M 74 43
Bucknell
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh
Dayton 89
St. Francis 55
Mad Sq. Garden 9:30E
Duke 76 62
At ✱
Maryland 62 70
Denver 72 68
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Utah 83 99
Florida St. 63
At 8 p.m.E
N. C. State 88
Miami 69 83
At 8:15E
Florida 74 87
Wake Forest
Seton Hall
Mad Sq. Garden 7:30E

JANUARY 11

Ariz. St. Tempe 72 71
At ✱
Hardin Sim. 94 63
Boston Univ.
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate
Brig. Young 61 59
At ✱
Colo. A & M 49 70
Cincinnati 74 95
At
Duquesne 52 79
Clemson 85 99
At ✱
No. Carolina 73 103
Chico St. 75 81
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Aggies 52 67
Franklin & Marshall
At 8 p.m.E
Muhlenberg
Harvard 61 55
At ✱
Columbia 87 78
Idaho 34 63
At ✱
Washington 46 70
Ida. St. 68 71 78 68
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Mont. St. 54 67 64 67
Iowa St. 81 87
At
Drake 60 70
Iowa Tea. 81 64
At ✱
So. Dakota 58 73
Kent St. 73 79
At 8:15E
Akron 89 81
Oregon 63 65
At 8 p.m.P ✱
California 62 67
Rice 80 83 82
At ✱
Texas 72 58 94
San Jose St. 45 69
At ✱
Loyola (Cal.) 41 71
Santa Clara 53 54
At 8:05P ✱
Col. Pacific 57 67
Seattle 89 70
At
Okla. City 84 74
So. Calif. 58 84
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 47 53
St. Francis, Pa. 58
Temple 103
Palestra 7:45E
Wash. State 72 70
U C L A 86 95
Pan Pac. Aud. 8:15P ✱
West'n St. 69 72
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Colo. Mines 61 47

JANUARY 12

Auburn 60 96
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 59 80
Air Force Academy
At 8:15C
Washington (St. L.)
Arizona 60 84
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas West'n 54 85
Brig. Young 71 78
At 8 p.m.E
Wyoming 48 67
Baylor 31 64 67
At ✱
Arkansas 36 85 23
Buffalo 55
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 66
Boston Univ.
At 7:45E
Syracuse
Bradley 57 58
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Tulsa 64 59
Columbia 93
At 8:30E
Rutgers 49
Clemson 63 80
At 8:15E ✱
Duke 97 109
Cincinnati
LaSalle
Palestra 9:30E
DePaul
Memphis St.
Municipal Aud. 8:30C
DePauw 56 63
At 8:15 ✱
Valparaiso 64 64
Denver 65 72
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Montana U. 51 89
Dartmouth 90 93
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Brown 79 48
Eastern Ky. 67 92
At ✱
Western Ky. 73 93
Evansville 62 93
At 8:15E ✱
Butler 77 77
Fresno St. 50 46
San Fran. U. 69 79
Kezar Pav. ✱
Geo. Tech 67
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Miss. State 59
Gettysburg 76 78
At
Lehigh 69 91
Harvard 86 73
At 7:45E ✱
Pennsylvania 78 88
Holy Cross 85 103
At
Connecticut
Illinois 96
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Wisconsin 77
Ida. St. 68 71 78 58
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Mont. St. 54 57 64 67
Idaho 34 63
At ✱
Washington 46 70
Indiana 71
At 7:30C ✱
Purdue 73
Kansas St. 85 79
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas 91 68
Kentucky 62 107
At 7:45C ✱
L S U 52 65
Lafayette 69 63
At 8:30E ✱
Bucknell 45 62
Loyola (Chi.) 84 71
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame 86 65
Lake Forest 71 84
At 8 p.m.C
Beloit 97 58
Louisiana Col. 71
At 8 p.m.C
Alabama 105
Maryland 62 67
At 8:30E
Geo. Wash. 48 46
Marshall 92 78
At 8:15E ✱
Toledo 53 70
Maine 66 72 83
At ✱
Bates 86 76 79
Miami (Fla.) 76 91
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Florida St. 79 85
Minnesota 62 73
At 7:30C ✱
Iowa 84 83
Middle Tenn. 65 68
At 7:30C ✱
Tenn. Tech 71 73
Murray St. 76 70
Louisville 82 83
Armory 8:30C
Muhlenberg
N Y U
Mad Sq. Garden
N. Hampshire 90 69
At ✱
Massachusetts 98 75
Navy 85
Manhattan 93
Mad Sq. Garden
Northwestern 76
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Michigan 94
Nebraska 52 63
At ✱
Colorado 77 78
Ohio Univ. 82 78
At ✱
Bowling Green 81 74
Okla. A & M 60 63
At ✱
Houston 62 44
Oregon 63 65
At 8 p.m.P ✱
California 62 67
Penn. St. — 60 90
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh 78 100
Princeton 68 80
At ✱
Cornell 73 76
Rhode Island 84 80
At
Providence 75 82
San Jose St. 87 80
At ✱
Pepperdine 65 66
Scranton 53
At
Hofstra 65
So. Car. 75 77 64
Wake For. 89 96 79
Winston Salem SC ✱
So. Calif. 58 84
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 47 53
S M U 105 26
At ✱
T C U 64 22
St. Vincent
Canisius
Buffalo Aud. 9:45E
St. Bonaven. 75 72
Niagara 87 63
Buffalo Audit. 7:45E
St. Francis, Pa.
At 9:05E
Seton Hall
St. Louis 79 86
At 8:15E ✱
Detroit 75 78
Tennessee 61
At ✱
Tulane 63
Texas A & I
At ✱
Howard Payne 57
Utah State 79 84
At
Colo. A & M 56 80
Vanderbilt 85
At ✱
Mississippi 73
Villanova 52
At
West Va. 54
Virginia 65 72 77
At ✱
No. Car. 101 83 81
Washington St. 72 70
U C L A 86 95
Pan Pac. Aud. 8:15P
Wayne 53 58
At 8 p.m.E ✱
John Carroll 71 80
West'n St. 89 72
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Colo. Mines 61 47
Wm. & Mary 60 79
At 8:15E ✱
Richmond 72 77
Yale 85
At
Army 93

JANUARY 13

Dayton 81 85
Xavier (O.) 73 75
Cincin. Gard. 8:30
Seattle 84
At
Regis 77

JANUARY 14

Bates 65
At 4 p.m. (four)E
Boston Univ. 82
DePaul 68
At
Duquesne 64
Detroit 106 65
At ✱
Bradley 91 93
Georgia Tech. 79
At ✱
Mississippi 68
Indiana 72 69
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Illinois 96 92
Kentucky 85
At 8:15C ✱
Tulane 63
Kansas 68 63
At 7:35C ✱
Iowa St. 63 79
Lamar Tech 69 70
At ✱
E. Texas St. 84 64
Minnesota 80 95
At ✱
Ohio State 91 89
Marshall 87 95
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Bowling Green 65 91
Missouri 85 54
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas St. 72 68
Northwestern 68 54
At 7:30C ✱
Purdue 78 66
Syracuse 82
At
Pittsburgh 79
Texas A & I 74 83
At ✱
Sul Ross 76 88
Texas 67 64
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Arkansas 70 79
Tennessee 91
At ✱
L S U 82
Vanderbilt 69
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Miss. State 49
Wisconsin 58 78
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Michigan 69 68
Wichita 77 82
At ✱
Houston 82 72
West Va. 105 97
Wm. & Mary 90 88
Norfolk, Va. ✱
Wash. (St. L.) 71
At
Loyola (Chi.) 63
Yale 56 81
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Brown 71 53

JANUARY 15

Butler 77 72
At 7:30C ✱
Depauw 69 68
Drake 81
At ✱
St. Louis 96
Ft. & Marsh. 76 59
At
Gettysburg 73 76
Hobart 62
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 84
Idaho 78 78
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 71 62
Michigan St. 84
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame 78
Miami (O.) 85 93
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Ohio U. 84 70
Morningside 59 82
At 8 p.m.C ✱
So. Dak. St. 90 101
No. Car. 60 73 73
At 8 p.m.E ✱
N. C. State 82 69 79
Rice 73 65 75
At 8 p.m.C ✱
S M U 78 67 89
Redlands 65 60
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Whittier 53 47
Richmond 78 84
At ✱
G. Washington 67 103
San Fran. U. 77 87
At 8:05P ✱
Col. Pacific 60 49
So. Carolina 70 83
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Virginia 69 84
Texas A & M 65 90
At ✱
Baylor 85 70
Texas Tech 91 70
At ✱
Hardin Sim. 59 55
Tenn. Tech 100 75 80
At ✱
West. Ky. 79 86 84
West Chester 78
LaSalle 90
Palestra 9:30E

JANUARY 16

Eastern Ky. 70 83
Louisville 99 100
Armory 8:30C
Furman 99 91
At
Clemson 112 80
Georgetown 62 72
At
Maryland 57 61
Houston 82 68
At
Bradley 70 53
Kentucky West. 81 98
At 8 p.m.C
Evansville 96 79
Lafayette 65
Temple 66
Palestra 7:45E
Maryland 63 72
At
Georgetown 57 61
Marshall 89 103
At 7:30C
Morehead 102 108
Oklahoma 66 42
At
Okla. A & M 57 69
Penn Military 78
At
Army 89
Portland St.
Seattle
Seattle Civic Aud.
Rhode Island 85 90
At ✱
Connecticut 88 92

Syracuse 71 75
At
Penn St. 64 66

St. Michael's (Vt.)
Air Force Academy
Lowery No. 1 Gym

JANUARY 18

Bowling Green 57
Western Ky 70
Louisville Armory

Brig. Young 56 92
At ✱
Utah State 63 62

Colgate 63
At 8 p.m. E
Holy Cross 88

Colorado A & M 57 65
At 8.15M ✱
Denver 73 68

Colorado St. 63 67
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Montana St. 64 71

Cornell 67 63
At ✱
Columbia 73 58

Dartmouth 82 57
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Princeton 90 59

Eastern Ky
At
Cincinnati

Furman 99 91
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Clemson 112 80

G. Washington 88 80
At ✱
Wash. & Lee 70 63

Idaho 61 78
At 8 p.m. P ✱
Oregon 59 84

No. Dakota U. 64 78
At 8 p.m. C ✱
So. Dakota St 76 79

Scranton 73 62
At
Moravian 66 68

S.F. Austin 51 66
At [illegible]
E. Texas 49 55

S M U 66 100
At ✱
Texas 63 96

Temple
At 9:05E
Seton Hall

Tulane 66 81
At ✱
L S U 67 68

Va. Tech 57 74
At ✱
Wm. & Mary 66 79

Washington 57 46
At 8 p.m. P ✱
Stanford 42 58

JANUARY 19

Auburn 77 82
Alabama 86 93
Montgomery ✱

Bucknell 80 86
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Muhlenberg 93 100

Baylor 56 62
At ✱
Rice 68 66

Cornell 73 76
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Princeton 68 80

Colorado St. 63 67
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Montana St. 64 71

Colo. A & M 81 77
Air F. Acdy. 76 93
City Arena

Duke 74 92
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Virginia 59 58

Dartmouth 66 74
At 7.45 ✱
Pennsylvania 69 60

Eastern Ky. 76
At 8:15E
Dayton 90

Geo. Tech. 56 64
At ✱
Vanderbilt 72 67

Georgetown 85 86
At
Mt. St. Mary's 78 83

Houston 72 67
At 8.30C ✱
St. Louis 76 66

Iowa 78 80
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Wisconsin 74 66

Idaho 61 76
At 8 p.m. P ✱
Oregon 59 84

Kentucky Wesl. 82 74
Louisville 116 84
Armory 8:30C

Kentucky 95 101
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Tennessee 68 77

Kent State 83 108
At ✱
Marshall 97 110

Kansas St. 63 62
At ✱
Colorado 71 81

Lafayette
At 8.30E
Seton Hall

La Salle 75 71
At
Syracuse 72 64

Minnesota 83
At 8 p.m. ✱
Northwestern 67

Mich. State 94 84
At ✱
Ohio State 91 96

Mississippi 79 74
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Miss. State 100 82

Memphis St. 96 81
At 7.30C
Tenn. Tech 77 90

Miami (O.)
At
De Paul

Nebraska 80 83
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Missouri 88 77

N. C. State 73 62
At ✱
Maryland 64 71

Niagara 58 62
Canisius 78 64
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E

New Mex 61 69
At 8.15M ✱
Denver 81 61

Oklahoma 55 59
At 7.35C ✱
Iowa State 58 71

Pittsburgh 77
At
Army 67

St. Joseph's, Pa. 83
Villanova 70
Palestra 7.45-9:30E

St. John's (N.Y.) 73
St. Francis (N.Y.) 76
Bklyn. Armory 8.30E

Santa Clara 72 70
At
Fresno 69 61

Steubenville
At 8.30E
St. Bonaventure

Texas Western 53
At ✱
New Mexico A & M 51

Tulsa 51 56
At 8.30C ✱
Wichita 71 84

Utah 71 89
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Montana U. 56 60

Va. Tech 60 73
At ✱
Richmond 66 71

Wayne 67
At 8 p.m.
Washington (St. L.) 63

W. Texas St. 85 62
At ✱
Hardin Sim 76 59

Washington 57 46
At 2 p.m. P
Stanford 42 58

JANUARY 21

Florida St 79 80
At 8 p.m. E
Georgia 76 75

Iowa 70 86
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Northwestern 65 66

Marquette 00
At
Minnesota 00

No. Dakota St 88 71
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Iowa Teachers 81 76

Ohio State 100 79
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Wisconsin 98 71

Seattle 89 74 63 89
Gonzaga 78 75 78 72
Spokane Colis.

Tulsa 64 59
At ✱
Bradley 57 56

JANUARY 22

Idaho
At
Washington St.

St. Bonaven. 73 71
Canisius 74 86
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E ✱

San Jose St. 85 70
At ✱
Fresno St. 66 67

Tenn. Tech 77 90
At 8 p.m. C
Memphis St 96 81

Wash. St. 71 62
At ✱
Idaho 78 78

JANUARY 23

Centenary
At 8.15C
Washington (St. L.)

Georgia 75 91
At
Mercer 72 79

JANUARY 24

Missouri 85 73
At 7.35 ✱C
Iowa St. 88 66

Wichita 54 62
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Okla. A & M 61 65

JANUARY 25

Boston University
At
Dartmouth

California 63 68
At 8 p.m. P ✱
Stanford 66 70

Centenary
At 8:30E
Xavier (O.)

Oregon 80 70
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 63 58

Oregon St 58 63
At 8:05P ✱
Washington 66 83

So. Dakota St 76 79
At ✱
No. Dakota U 64 78

JANUARY 26

Army 46
At 9 p.m. E
Fordham 64

Arkansas
At 7.30C
Kansas State

Connecticut 82
At 8 p.m. E
Colgate 80

California 24
San Francisco 33
Cow Palace

Cincinnati 79 81
At
Miami (O.) 61 89

Colorado State
Air Force Academy
City Arena

Drake 76 70
At 8:30C ✱
Wichita 85 76

Dayton 64 56 80
Louisville 66 59 93
Armory 8.30C

Duquesne 70 64
St. Bonaven. 60 56
Buffalo Audit. 7.45E

Florida 74 75
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Alabama 108 82

Furman 71 73 74
West Va. 85 76 77
Charlotte NC ✱

Geo. Tech 73 74
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Tennessee 72 76

Georgia 60 80
At 7:30C ✱
Auburn 60 96

Illinois 103
Notre Dame 93
Chicago Stadium

Indiana St 87 73
At 8.15C ✱
Butler 66 64

Kentucky 76 73
At 8.15C ✱
Vanderbilt 65 81

Kentucky Wes 86
Miami (Fla.) 82
Miami Audit. 8.45E

Lafayette 80
At 8.30E ✱
St. Joseph's, Pa. 64

Lebanon Val.
Temple
Palestra 7.45E

LaSalle 64
Penn. 52
Palestra 9.30E

Montana St 66 57
At
Montana U 54 69

Mich. St 80 73
At ✱
Minnesota 69 77

Marshall 110 97
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Kent State 108 83

Morehead 91 110 99
At 8 p.m. E
Ohio U. 97 67 113

Manhattan 73
At
Siena 78

Northwestern 42 72
At ✱
Ohio State 91 83

Oklahoma City
At 8 p.m. ✱
Idaho State

Oregon 80 70
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 63 58

Oklahoma A & M
Loyola (Chi.)
Chicago Sta. 7.45C

Oregon St 58 63
At 8:05P ✱
Washington 66 83

Penn State 102 82
At 8:30E
Rutgers 78 73

Purdue 79
At 8:15C
Valparaiso 65

Scranton 57 63
At
Niagara 80 87C

So. Dakota 58 73
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Iowa Teachers 81 64

Santa Clara
Stanford
Cow Palace 8 p.m. P

S. Dak. St 79 96
At 8 p.m. C ✱
No. Dak. St 68 63

So. Carolina 80
At
Wofford 64

Tulsa 62 66
At 8.30C ✱
St. Louis 73 73

T C U 68 75 40
At ✱
Baylor 94 83 62

Texas Tech 71 101
At
W. Texas St 72 76

Utah St. 63 62
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Brig. Young 56 92

V M I 77 91
At 8 p.m. E
Virginia 78 107

Wyoming 56 55
At ✱
Colorado A & M 66 66

Western Ky.
At
De Paul

Wayne
Canisius
Buffalo Aud. 7.30E

JANUARY 28

Citadel 50 76
At
So. Carolina 80 121

Drake
At ✱
Houston

East Kentucky
At 8 p.m. C
Evansville

Florida 77 73
At 7.30C ✱
Auburn 89 77

Georgia 75 69
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Alabama 99 94

Iowa State 58 71
At 7.30C ✱
Oklahoma 55 69

Kentucky 104 84
Geo. Tech 51 62
Alexander Col. 8 p.m. E ✱

Morehead St 95 93
At 7.30C ✱
Middle Tenn 78 70

Ohio State 91 96
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Mich. State 94 84

Purdue 78 68
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Northwestern 68 54

Seton Hall 78
At
St. Francis (N.Y.) 81

JANUARY 29

Coll. Pacific 57 67
Santa Clara 53 54
San Jose Audit. ✱

Duke 64 71
Wake Forest 52 84
Winston Salem 8 p.m. E ✱

E. Texas St 49 55
At 8 p.m. C ✱
S. F. Austin 51 66

Furman
At
Wofford

Howard Payne 57
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Texas A & I 58

Indiana 81
At 8 p.m. C
Notre Dame 76

Louisville
At
Loyola (N. Orleans)

St. Louis 49
At 8 p.m. ✱
Oklahoma A & M 52

Toledo 72 69
At ✱
Kent State 66 93

T C U 72 71
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Arkansas 74 90

Va. Tech 62
West Va. 84
Fayetteville W. Va. ✱

Virginia 34 76
At 8 p.m. E ✱
N. C. State 99 77

Whittier 61 53
At
Pasadena (N.) 60 73

JANUARY 30

Baylor
At
Texas Tech

Boston Univ.
At
Army

Creighton 65
Marquette 73
Milwauk. Arena

DePaul
At 8:15E
Dayton

Georgia 143
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Kentucky 66

Houston 86 89
At 8.15E ✱
Detroit 84 76

Harvard 79 51
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Brown 66 61

Memphis St
At
Murray St.

Marshall 87 72
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Ohio U. 71 63

Penn St 64 88
At
Lehigh 39 64

Rutgers 91
At 8:30E
N Y U 93

St. Francis (N.Y.)
At
Duquesne

Temple 93
At
Navy 74

Wayne 61 75
At 8.15C
Valparaiso 58 52

Western Ky 86 100
At 7.30C ✱
Middle Tenn 78 85

JANUARY 31

Butler 77 82
At ✱
Evansville 79 93

Colorado A & M 82 60
At ✱
Utah 59 91

Cincinnati 99
At
Toledo 74

Delaware 81
Temple 108
Campus Ct. 8.15E

Harvard 61 79
At ✱
Brown 61 66

Louisville
Miami (Fla.)
Miami Audit. 8.45E

Loyola (Md.) 57
At 8.30E
Xavier (O.) 84

Maryland 62 70
At ✱
Duke 76 82

No. Texas St. 52 66
At
Hardin Simm 61 57

St. John's (N.Y.) 81
At 8.15E
Pittsburgh 76

Utah St. 80 76
At 8.15M ✱
Denver 110 74

Wake Forest 82 84
Virginia 69 67
Winston Salem 8 p.m. E ✱

Wyoming 93 56
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Montana U. 69 59

FEBRUARY 1

Bucknell
At ✱
Rutgers

Col. Aggies 56 61
At ✱
Sacra. St. 81 67

Clemson 79 87
Wake Forest 98 108
WinstonSalem 8 p.m. E ✱

Davidson 73 79
At 8 p.m. E ✱
V M I 86 73

Houston 71 69
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Tulsa 62 60

Idaho St 66 63
At ✱
Colorado St 86 54

L S U 78 79
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Miss. St 87 71

Oregon St 56 59
U C L A 77 72
Pan Pac. Aud. 8.15P ✱

Pepperdine 51 40
San Fran. U. 62 68
Kezar Pav. ✱

Portland 86 99
At
Regis 78 89

St. John's (N.Y.) 75
At
West Virginia 92

So. Dak. U. 77 86
At 8 p.m. C ✱
No. Dak. St. 62 72

Stanford 74 73
At 8 p.m. P ✱
Oregon 55 60

San Jose St. 59 61
At 8:05P ✱
Col. Pacific 60 32

Tulane 93 63
At ✱
Mississippi 89 81

Tufts 64
At 8 p.m. E
Brown 56

FEBRUARY 2

Auburn 74
At ✱
Vanderbilt 65

Arkansas 62 53 72
At 8 p.m. C ✱
S M U 67 58 80

Alabama 93
Geo. Tech 60
New Coliseum 8 p.m. E ✱

Brig. Young 86 81
At 8.15M ✱
Denver 86 65

Bucknell 54 62
At ✱
Lafayette 98 63

Boston Univ. 52
At 8.30E
Holy Cross 69

Ball State
At
Cincinnati

Boston Coll. 51 69
At
Providence 63 77

Bowling Green
Marquette
Milwauk. Arena 8:30C

Clemson 83 88 84
At 8 p.m. E ✱
N. C. State 100 105 88

Columbia 87 78
At ✱
Harvard 61 55

Colby 59
At
Amherst 56

Colorado A & M 96 62
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Montana U. 76 63

Colgate 84
At
Rutgers 71

Colorado 71 51
At 7.30C ✱
Kansas St. 53 82

Detroit 65 77
At ✱
Drake 81 89

Duke 93
At
Navy 70

Evansville 68
At 8 p.m. C
Beloit 76

Florida 70
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Kentucky 81

Fordham 82
At
Connecticut 72

Fr. & Marsh. 64 60
At
Albright 91 64

Georgetown
Richmond
Richmond Arena 8:15E

Geo. Wash. 48 46
At
Maryland 62 67

Georgia 67 59
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Tenn. 86 62

Gettysburg
At
Wagner

Hardin Simm 76 59
At ✱
W. Texas St. 85 62

Idaho St 66 63
At ✱
Colorado St 86 84

Illinois 92 102
At 7.30C ✱
Purdue 76 77

Indiana 73 83
At 7.30C ✱
Iowa 84 87

Iowa St. 63 79
At 7.30C ✱
Kansas 68 63

Louisville 85
Memphis St 75
Municipal Aud. 8.30C

LaSalle 58 81
At 8 p.m. E
Muhlenberg 69 70

L S U 100 70
At
Mississippi 76 81

Loyola 48 48
San Fran. U. 68 65
Kezar Pav. ✱

Michigan 81 72
At ✱
Minnesota 79 86

Morehead State
At 8.15E
Dayton

Mich. State 96
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Northwestern 93

New York Univ.
At
Syracuse

Niagara
At 8 p.m. E
Kent State

Notre Dame
Canisius
Buffalo Audit. 8 p.m. E

Ohio Univ. 63 74
At ✱
Western Mich. 70 86

Oregon St. 56 59
U C L A 77 72
Pan Pac. Aud. 8:15P ✱

Omaha
Air Force Academy
City Arena

Penn State 70
At
Army 66

Portland 86 99
At
Regis 78 89

So. Dakota U. 82 66
At ✱
No. Dakota U. 62 65

Scranton 102
At
Wilkes 70

So. Dakota St. 88 93
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Iowa Teach 70 56

Stanford 74 73
At 8p.m. P ✱
Oregon 55 60

St. Joe (Ind.) 74 58
At 8.15C ✱
Butler 76 77

St. Louis 69
At
DePaul 71

So. Carolina 100 89
At ✱
Furman 97 84

Texas A & I 72 52
At ✱
Lamar Tech 80 61

Texas A & M 67 84
At ✱
T C U 91 74

Texas West'n 72 97
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Tempe St 74 84

Tulane 110 88
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Miss. St 72 78

Texas
At
Oklahoma

Virginia 64
At
Va. Tech 76

Wyoming 59 64
At 8 p.m. M ✱
Utah 64 71

Western Ky. 73 93
At
Eastern Ky 67 92

Xavier (O.) 76 91
At 8 p.m. E
Miami (O.) 77 96

Yale 73 71
At ✱
Cornell 60 78

FEBRUARY 4

Alabama 88
At ✱
Vanderbilt 61

Auburn 77
Geo. Tech 74
New Coliseum 8 p.m. E ✱

Brig. Young 87 75
At ✱
New Mexico 53 69

Colorado 62
At 7:35C ✱
Iowa St 65

Creighton 71
At 8 p.m. C
So. Dakota U. 83

Detroit 79 84
At 8:30C ✱
Wichita 99 86

Florida 66
At 8 p.m. E ✱
Tennessee 84

Furman 81 100
At ✱
Wm. & Mary 92 86

Iowa
At 8:15C
Washington (St. L.)

Montana St. 86 76
At ✱
Western St. 79 79

Nebraska 50 62
At ✱
Kansas St. 73 66

Northwestern 81 82
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Indiana 94 84

Notre Dame 73
At
Holy Cross 84

Niagara 80
At
Duquesne 51

N Y U 69
At 8 p.m. E
Colgate 86

Ohio State 84 87
At 8 p.m. C ✱
Illinois 111 84

Ohio Univ. 87 89
At 8:15E ✱
Toledo 77 79

P M C 58
At
St. Joseph's (Pa.) 96

Purdue 67 72
At ✱
Michigan 74 83

Portland (Ore.)
At
Bradley

St. Louis 96
At ✱
Drake 81

Sul Ross 64 64
At 8 p.m.C ✱
S.F. Austin 82 83

SW Texas St. 103 82
At ✱
Lamar Tech 77 68

Tulsa 41 46
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Okla. A & M 52 42

Texas A & I 68 70
At ✱
Sam Houston 82 67

Texas West'n 54 85
At ✱
Arizona 60 84

Tenn. Tech 71 73
At 7:30C ✱
Middle Tenn. 65 68

West Va. 89 103
V M I 8 p.m. 65 68
Bluefield W. Va. ✱

FEBRUARY 5

Butler 89 66
At ✱
Valparaiso 40 63

C C N Y 60
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 63

Furman 92 94
Richmond 130 85
Richmond Arena 8:15E ✱

La Salle 67
At
Georgetown 63

Montana St. 86 76
At ✱
Western St. 79 79

No. Texas St. 73 82
At ✱
Midwestern 78 86

No. Carolina 68 64
At ✱
Maryland 62 55

Pittsburgh 64
At 8:15E
Duke 92

Santa Clara 52 38
San Jose St. 54 59
Civic Audit. ✱

S M U 80 92
At ✱
Baylor 68 72

Texas 74 98
At ✱
Texas A & M 75 70

Trinity (Tex.) 75 56
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Abil. Chr. 69 79

Va. Tech 70 63
At ✱
G. Washington 92 61

Virginia 54 70
N. C. State 99 77
Portsmouth, Va. ✱

V P I 63 76
At ✱
G. Washington 61 92

West'n Kentucky 64
At 8 p.m.C
Memphis St. 80

FEBRUARY 6

Albright 75
At
Army 71

Buffalo St. 48 58
At 8:15E
Buffalo U. 66 68

Brown 79 54
At 7:45E ✱
Pennsylvania 90 63

Canisius
Marquette
Milwauk. Arena 8:30C

Cornell 82 62
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 76 76

Harvard 62 61
At
Amherst 55 91

Lafayette 76
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 63

Loyola, Chi. 77
At 8 p.m.E
Bowling Green 68

Louisville 112
At 7:30C
Morehead 94

Miami (O.) 50 73
At 8:15E ✱
Dayton 73 86

Maine 92 74
At ✱
N. Hampshire 84 72

Muhlenberg 94 84
At
Gettysburg 100 74

Portland (Ore.)
At 8:15C
Wash. U. (St. L.)

Rutgers 67 40
At 8 p.m.E
Princeton 84 74

St. Anselm 82
At
Boston Col. 90

Tufts 52
At 8:30E
Boston U. 53

Villanova 73
Temple 80
Palestra 9:30E

Yale 54 60
At ✱
Columbia 80 102

FEBRUARY 7

G. Washington
St. John's
Mad. Sq. Garden 7:30E

Hardin-Simm. 59 55
At ✱
Texas Tech 91 70

Montana U. 60
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Utah 89

Pittsburgh 74 77
At
Westminster 52 67

Portland (Ore.)
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame

St. Francis (Pa.) 93
At 8:15E
J. Carroll 89

West. Va.
N Y U
Mad. Sq. Garden 9:30E

Wake Forest 89 96 79
At ✱
So. Car. 75 77 64

FEBRUARY 8

Army 57
At
Siena 67

Abil. Chr. 45 66
At ✱
Midwestern 48 80

Bowling Green 81 74
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Ohio Univ. 83 78

California 65 69
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 63 56

Cal. Tech 42 43
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Whittier 58 72

Dayton 71
Villanova 50
Philadelphia

Drake 60 70
At 7:35C
Iowa St. 81 87

Holy Cross 87 100
At
Syracuse 74 65

Iowa Teachers 56 70
At ✱
So. Dakota St. 93 88

Lafayette
At 9 p.m.E
Iona

Mississippi 49
Kentucky 88
Memphis, Tenn. 9M ✱

Nevada 82 87
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Aggies 57 55

N. Hampshire 63 63
At ✱
Rhode Island 104 81

Okla. A & M 67 68
At 7:30C
Oklahoma 66 42

Seton Hall
Temple
Palestra 7:45E

Susquehanna 72
At
Frank. & Marsh. 68

So. Calif. 65 73
Idaho 56 59
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P ✱

San Fran. U. 74 62
At ✱
St. Mary's 63 49

Trinity (Tex.) 55 79
At ✱
No. Texas St. 101 76

U C L A 61 82
At 8:05P ✱
Washington 50 75

V M I 76 90
At ✱
Citadel 59 59

Wash. State 76 69
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Stanford 69 67

Wagner 89
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 54

FEBRUARY 9

Army
At
Syracuse

Alabama 99 94
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 75 69

Amherst 99 69
At
Wesleyan 55 56

Auburn 59 77
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 77 73

Boston Univ. 80 94
At
Boston Coll. 65 70

Bowling Green 85 91
At ✱
Marshall 87 96

Brown 64 55
At
Providence 79 71

Ball St. 84 74
At 8:15C ✱
Butler 69 59

Baylor 95 73
At ✱
Texas 101 80

California 65 69
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 63 56

Colorado A & M 66 66
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Wyoming 56 55

Duke 64 64 65
At ✱
N. Car. 74 89 73

Detroit 78 75
At 8:30C ✱
St. Louis 86 79

Denver 81 61
At ✱
New Mexico 61 69

E. Texas St. 84 64
At ✱
Lamar Tech 69 70

Evansville 84 82
At 8:15C ✱
Valparaiso 71 74

Fordham 69
At
Georgetown 68

Frank. & Marsh. 78
At
Moravian 75

Georgia Tech 79
At ✱
Tulane 77

Harvard 58 71
At ✱
Dartmouth 71 86

Illinois 73 98
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Mich. State 65 76

Idaho 56 59
So. Calif. 65 73
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P ✱

Kansas 60 80
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Nebraska 56 56

Louisville 86 93
At 8:15E
Toledo 71 64

Marquette 68
At
Bradley 67

Manhattan 87
Canisius 85
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E

Minnesota 79 86
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Michigan 81 72

Muhlenberg 71 64
At
St. Jos. (Pa.) 76 73

Missouri 72 86
At ✱
Colorado 79 61

Murray St. 77 74
At
Western Ky. 88 70

Navy 61
At
Columbia 64

Notre Dame 85 65
Loyola (Chi.) 84 71
Chicago Stad. 7:45C

Ohio State 82
At 7:35C ✱
Indiana 100

Portland (Ore.)
At
De Paul

Purdue 63 75
At 7:30C ✱
Iowa 67 88

Princeton 79 66
At 8:30E ✱
Yale 77 81

Pennsylvania 72 78
At ✱
Cornell 87 83

San Jose St. 52 60
At ✱
St. Mary's 59 70

So. Carolina 66 68
At ✱
N. C. State 90 95

Sul Ross 76 88
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas A & I 74 85

S M U 66
At
Texas Tech 67

Seton Hall
LaSalle
Palestra 7:45E

St. Peter's 85
At 8:30E ✱
St. Bonaven. 74

Regis
At
Cincinnati

Scranton 105
At
Albright 86

S. F. Austin 64 83
At ✱
Sam Houston 38 42

T C U 60 72
At ✱
Rice 80 89

Texas A & M 52 66
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Arkansas 61 98

Tennessee 58
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Miss. St. 75

Tenn. Tech 65 101
At ✱
Morehead 83 80

Utah 82 82
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Brig. Young 63 77

U C L A 61 82
At ✱
Washington 60 76

V M I 86 73
At ✱
Davidson 73 79

Vanderbilt 107
At ✱
L S U 68

Wichita 71 64
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Tulsa 51 56

Wake Forest 98 104 108
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Clemson 79 103 87

Wagner 78
At 8:30 ✱
Bucknell 56

Wash. State 76 69
At 2 p.m. (Two) P ✱
Stanford 81 67

West. Va. 89 78 58
Richmond 74 84 56
Richmond Arena E ✱

Wm. & Mary 79 75
At 8:30E ✱
Geo. Wash. 81 81

West Mich. 84
At 8 p.m.E
Miami (O.) 71

FEBRUARY 11

Ariz. St. (Tempe) 72 71
At ✱
Hardin Simm. 94 63

Alabama 108 82
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 74 75

Boston Univ. 94
Boston Coll. 70
Boston Garden

Bradley 73
At ✱
Drake 79

Detroit 76 84
At ✱
Houston 89 86

Georgia Tech 97
At ✱
L S U 74

Gettysburg 72
At
Albright 76

Iowa St. 52
At ✱
Colorado 52

Kentucky 86
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Miss. State 65

Michigan 58 79
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Wisconsin 69 68

Missouri 88 77
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Nebraska 80 83

Minnesota 77
At 7:35C ✱
Indiana 71

Mich. St. 62 56
At 7:30C ✱
Purdue 66 63

No. Car. 101 83 81
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Virginia 65 72 77

Northwestern 83
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Illinois 82

S. F. Austin 72 63
At ✱
Lamar Tech 75 55

Tennessee 65
At ✱
Mississippi 63

Tenn. Tech 71 84
At ✱
East Ky. 67 79

Vanderbilt 74
At ✱
Tulane 67

Western Ky.
At
Oklahoma City, U.

FEBRUARY 12

Abil. Chr. 78 64
At 8 p.m.C ✱
No. Texas St. 76 62

Col. Pacific 60 32
At 8:15 P ✱
San Jose St. 59 61

Carn. Tech 26 59
At
Duquesne 61 69

Duke 68 81
At ✱
N. C. State 58 90

Geo. Wash. 96
At ✱
West. Va. 79

J. Carroll 100 69
At
Kent St. 85 76

LaSalle 57
Temple 60
Palestra 7:45E

Loyola (N. Orl.) 62
At 8:15E
Dayton 82

Oregon 57 69 49
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 46 74 59

Ohio Univ. 84 70
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Miami (O.) 85 93

Okla. A & M 62 56
At 7:30C
Kansas 65 56

Pomona 62 69
At 8 p.m. ✱
Whittier 78 67

Rice 68 66
At ✱
Baylor 58 62

St. John's (N. Y.)
St. Joseph's (Pa.)
Palestra 9:30E

So. Car. 94 89 87
At ✱
Clemson 79 83 94

Sacra. St. 81 67
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Aggies 56 51

Santa Clara 56 44
San Fran. U. 74 80
Kezar Pav. ✱

Tulsa 53 55
At 8 p.m.C
Arkansas 45 51

Texas 63 96
At 8 p.m.C ✱
S M U 66 109

T C U 91 74
At ✱
Texas A & M 67 84

Temple 60
LaSalle 57
Palestra 9:30E

Trinity (Tex.) 58 66
At ✱
Midwestern 64 85

Wash. & Lee 64 49
At ✱
Va. Tech 68 60

Yale 84
At 8:30E
Holy Cross 99

FEBRUARY 13

Akron 84
At ✱
Dennison 74

Bates 77 70 80
At ✱
Colby 85 66 72

Boston Coll. 74
At
Harvard 93

Bucknell 81 67
At
Penn State 74 79

Boston U. 107
At
M I T 74

Brown 79 48
At 8:30E ✱
Dartmouth 90 93

Creighton 72 77
At 8 p.m.C
Omaha 61 60

Canisius
At 9:05E
Seton Hall

Frank. & Marsh. 54
At
Navy 72

Hardin Simm. 71 74
At ✱
Arizona 63 83

Lamar Tech 62 65
At ✱
Sam Houston 58 47

Middle Tenn. 66 82
At ✱
Murray St. 88 104

Marquette 68 65
Louisville 84 76
Armory 8:30C

Massachusetts 61
At
Amherst 50

Notre Dame 81 74
At 8:15C
Butler 69 83

Pennsylvania 74 60
At ✱
Columbia 82 58

Regis
At
Army

Richmond 130 85
At ✱
Furman 92 94

St. Louis 73 75
At ✱
Bradley 62 67

Toledo 73 71
Bowling Green 60 69
Sports Arena 8 p.m.E ✱

Villanova 61
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 57

Wake Forest 76 73 77
At ✱
No. Car. 71 77 56

Western Ky.
At 8:30C
Wichita

Xavier (O.) 66 79
At
Cincinnati 71 72

FEBRUARY 14

Geo. Tech 72 81
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 68 72

Montana U. 51 80
At 8:15M ✱
Denver 65 72

Marshall 115 109
At
M. Harvey 76 91

N Y U 70
Manhattan 82
Mad. Sq. Garden

Niagara 73
St. John's (N. Y.) 64
Mad. Sq. Garden

Regis College
At 8:15E
Dayton

V M I 72 78
At ✱
Wm. & Mary 81 89

FEBRUARY 15

Colorado A & M 49 70
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Brig. Young 61 59

Coll. Pacific 60 49
San Fran. U. 77 87
Kezar Pav. ✱

Cincinnati
At
Centenary

Duquesne 48 66
Temple 63 64
Palestra 7:45E

Gonzaga (see scores
Seattle Jan. 21)
Seattle Civic Aud.

Idaho 44 58
At 8 p.m.P ✱
California 54 67

Kent State 74 70
At ✱
Miami (O.) 73 72

Kentucky
Loyola (Chi)
Chicago Stad. 7:45C

Midwestern 48 80
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Abil. Chr. 45 66

Mont. St. 54 57 64 67
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Idaho St. 68 71 78 68

Moravian 66 68
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 73 62

No. Texas St. 101 76
Trinity (Tex.) 55 79
Alamo Gym 8 p.m.C ✱

No. Dak. U. 63 50 73 72
At 8 p.m.C ✱
No. Dak. St. 57 48 84 73

Princeton 79 85
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Brown 82 58

Penn St. 72
At
Pennsylvania 79

So. Dakota U. 74 69
At 8 p.m.C ✱
So. Dakota St. 83 67

So. Calif. 76 85
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 55 54

Santa Clara 53 40
At ✱
St. Mary's 49 39

Stanford 48 71
U C L A 50 82
Pan Pac. Aud. 8:15P ✱

Texas West'n 83 79
At 8 p.m.M ✱
W. Texas St. 71 80

Virginia 69 84
At ✱
So. Carolina 70 83

Washington 51 68 70
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon 53 50 61

Wyoming 61 95
At ✱
Utah St. 63 73

FEBRUARY 16

Air Force Academy
At
Colorado State

Arkansas 74 90
At ✱
T C U 72 71

Buffalo 70
At
Akron 66

Boston College
N Y U
69th Armory

Baylor 85 70
At ✱
Texas A & M 66 90

Boston U. 83
At 8:30E
Colby 60

Colorado A & M 58 60
At ✱
Utah State 79 84

Cornell 60 78
At 8:30E ✱
Yale 72 71

Cal. Aggies 52 67
At ✱
Chico St. 75 81

Cincinnati 85
At
Loyola (N. Orl.) 53

Citadel 61 68
At ✱
Furman 90 112

Cal. Poly 69 67 69
At 8:15P ✱
S. Diego St. 81 64 93

Duquesne
At
LaSalle

Iowa 64
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Mich. State 65

Illinois 89
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Michigan 66

Indiana 94 84
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Northwestern 81 82

Idaho 44 58
At 8 p.m.P ✱
California 54 67

Ky. Wesleyan 78
At
Wash. & Lee 88

Kansas 78 54
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Missouri 85 76

Lafayette 65
At 9 p.m.E ✱
Temple 66

L S U 71
At ✱
Auburn 80

Lamar Tech 74 90
At ✱
Sul Ross 76 84

Maryland 64 71
At 8 p.m.E ✱
N. C. State 73 82

Mississippi 105
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 65

Manhattan 71
At
Army 79

Morehead 80 73
At
West'n Ky. 86 72

Miss. St. 84
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 74

Mont. St. 54 57 64 67
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Ida. St. 68 71 78 68

Niagara 72
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 70

Navy 81
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh 64

Nebraska 74 69
At 7:35C ✱
Iowa State 94 71

No. Dakota U. (see scores)
At 8 p.m.C ✱ Feb. 15)
No. Dakota St.

Okla. A & M 74 51
At 8:15E ✱
Detroit 48 61

Oklahoma City 97
At 7:30C
Kansas St. 93

Princeton 55 46
At ✱
Harvard 68 96

Purdue 75
At ✱
Minnesota 67

Providence 69
At 8:30E
Boston Univ. 65

Richmond 103
At
Villanova 73

Rhode Island 86 90
At
Connecticut 88 92

Seton Hall 87
At
Georgetown 85

Stanford 48 71
U C L A 50 82
Pan. Pac. Aud. 2 p.m.P

Syracuse 77 67
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 70 73

S. W. Texas 77 94
At 8 p.m.C ✱
S. F. Austin 60 99

So. Calif. 76 85
At 8:05P ✱
Wash. State 55 54

St. Bonaven. 73 71
Canisius 74 86
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E ✱

Santa Clara 49 47
Loyola 59 69
San Jose Audit. ✱

Scranton 57
At
Muhlenberg 79

San Fran. U. 69 79
At ✱
Fresno St. 50 48

Tulane 60
At 8 p.m. ✱
Alabama 79

Texas 58 94 72
At ✱
Rice 83 82 80

Tennessee 57 68
At ✱
Vanderbilt 84 96

Toledo 53 70
At ✱
Marshall 02 78

Tulsa 63 76
At ✱
Drake 62 61

Texas West'n 83 90
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas Tech 65 117

Utah 99 83
At 8:15M ✱
Denver 68 72

Valparaiso 40 63
At 8:15C ✱
Butler 89 66

Virginia 96 73
At ✱
Clemson 85 75

West'n Mich. 70 86
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Ohio Univ. 63 74

Wake Forest 52 84
At 8:15E ✱
Duke 64 71

Wisconsin 98 71
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Ohio State 100 79

Wyoming 48 67
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Brig. Young 74 78

Wm. & Mary 66 79
At ✱
Va. Tech 57 74

Williams 57 56
At
Amherst 61 73

Whittier 60 73
At ✱
Occidental 80 76

Wichita 109
At 8:30C ✱
St. Louis 103

Washington 51 68 70
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon 53 50 61

West Va. 76
At
Penn St. 73

Xavier (O.) 99 70
Louisville 59 83
Armory 8:30C

FEBRUARY 18

Gonzaga (See Scores
Seattle Jan. 21)
Seattle Civic Aud.

Iowa 84 87
At 7:35C ✱
Indiana 73 83

Kansas St. 73 68
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Nebraska 50 52

L S U 59
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Alabama 77

Michigan St. 65 76
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Illinois 73 96

Maryland 61 60
Wake Forest 51 76
Winston Salem 8 p.m.E ✱

Mississippi 90
At 8:15E ✱
Florida 77

Miss. St. 83
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Georgia 71

Michigan 74 83
At 7:30C ✱
Purdue 67 72

Okla. A & M
At ✱
Drake

Oklahoma 65 69
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas 77 68

S. W. Texas St. 69 66
At ✱
E. Texas St. 71 67

Scranton
At
Villanova

Tulsa 61 72
At 8:15E ✱
Detroit 51 80

Toledo 77 79
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Ohio Univ. 67 89

Tulane 86
At ✱
Auburn 75

Texas West. 78 74
At ✱
Hardin Simm. 53 70

Texas A & I 55 51
At ✱
S. F. Austin 62 37

Vanderbilt 56 81
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Kentucky 76 73

Wheaton 73 68
At 8 p.m.C
Beloit 63 80

Wichita 59 86
At ✱
Bradley 80 56

Wm. & Mary 61 69
At ✱
V M I 72 78

Wisconsin 71
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Minnesota 77

FEBRUARY 19

Abil. Chr. 99 79
Trinity (Tex.) 75 56
Alamo Gym 8 p.m.C ✱

C C N Y 69
At 9 p.m.E
Manhattan 74

Furman 97 84
At
So. Carolina 109 89

Georgetown 67 77
At
G. Washington 70 93

Harvard
At
Williams

Muhlenberg 69 70
LaSalle 58 61
Lincoln H.S. 8 p.m.E

Midwestern 78 86
At 8 p.m.C ✱
No. Texas St. 73 82

N. C. State 82 69 79
At ✱
No. Car. 60 73 73

Rice 70 86
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Arkansas 84 65

St. Vincent 93
At 8:15E
J. Carroll 98

Tennessee 72 76
Geo. Tech 73 74
New Coliseum 8 p.m.E ✱

Texas A & M 68 80
At 8 p.m.C ✱
S M U 97 92

Va. Tech 60 68
At ✱
Wash. & Lee 49 64

FEBRUARY 20

Akron 81
At ✱
Mount Union 72

Albright 91 64
At
Fr. & Marsh. 64 60

Baylor 68 75 49
At ✱
T C U 94 83 62

Buffalo
At
Navy

Butler 66 64
At 8:15C ✱
Indiana St. 87 73

Columbia 80 102
At 8:30E ✱
Yale 54 60

Canisius 87 76
At
Syracuse 75 73

Detroit 77
At 8 p.m.E
Notre Dame 71

Evansville 96 79
At
Ky. Wesl. 81 98

East Texas St.
At
Texas (polio benefit)

Eastern Ky.
Wake Forest
Winston Salem 8 p.m.E

Louisville 82 83
At
Murray St. 76 70

N Y U 62
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 56

Pittsburgh 76 85
At
Carn. Tech 76 81

Penn. State 74 79
At 8:30E
Bucknell 81 67

Richmond 96 90
At 8 p.m.E ✱
V M I 54 68

Rutgers
At
Army

St. Joseph's (Pa.) 72
Pennsylvania 60
Palestra 7:45-9:30E

Wash. & Lee 66
At
Villanova 82

West. Ky. 86 72
At 7:30C
Morehead 80 73

Xavier (O.) 73 75
At 8:15E
Dayton 81 85

FEBRUARY 21

Brig. Young 63 77
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Utah 82 82

Clemson 112 80
At
Furman 99 91

Kansas 66 56
At 8 p.m.C
Okla. A & M 62 55

Cincinnati 82
Seton Hall 81
Mad. Sq. Garden 7:30E

Temple 71
St. John's (N.Y.) 66
Mad. Sq. Garden 9:30E

FEBRUARY 22

Air Force Academy
At
Creighton Univ.

Brown 58 82
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Princeton 85 79

Brandeis 67
At
Boston Univ. 78

Colby 85 66 72
At ✱
Bates 77 70 80

California 74 63
At 8:05P ✱
Washington 62 60

Cornell 59 75
At ✱
Harvard 81 68

Denver 73 68
At ✱
Colorado A & M 57 65

Humb. St. 57 61
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Cal. Aggies 43 59

Miss. State 87 71
At ✱
L S U 78 79

Midwestern 64 85
Trinity (Tex.) 58 66
Alamo Gym 8 p.m.C ✱

Mississippi 82 81
At ✱
Tulane 93 83

No. Texas St. 76 62
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Abil. Chr. 78 64

No. Dakota St. (See
At ✱ scores Feb. 15)
No. Dakota U.

New Mexico 80 36
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Wyoming 71 60

Omaha
At 8:15E
Wayne

Oregon St. 55 69
At ✱
Idaho 58 59

Penn State 83 94
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 75 72

Pennsylvania 69 60
At 8:30E ✱
Dartmouth 66 74

So. Calif. 74 74
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Stanford 78 58

So. Carolina 75 73
At ✱
No. Carolina 92 75

Santa Clara 49 47
At ✱
Loyola (Cal.) 59 59

San Fran. U. 62 68
At ✱
Pepperdine 51 40

Texas Tech 65 117
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas West'n 83 90

U C L A 95 108
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon 71 89

V M I 56 58
At ✱
Va. Tech 64 95

Wash. & Lee 70 70
At ✱
Wm. & Mary 79 57

West'n St. 68 81
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Idaho St. 80 92

FEBRUARY 23

Arkansas 36 85 63
At ✱
Baylor 31 64 67

Alabama 101
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Kentucky 77

Arizona 63 83
At ✱
Hardin Simm. 71 74

Air Force Academy
At
Kansas City Univ.

Amherst 96
At
Trinity 71

Auburn 87
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Tenn. 91

Bradley 67 62
At 8:30E ✱
St. Louis 75 73

Bucknell 74 42
At 8 p.m.E
Colgate 77 63

Boston Coll. 75
At
Holy Cross 111

Bowling Green 72
Canisius 85
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E

Brig. Young 73 95
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Montana U. 64 73

Brown 68 67
At ✱
Columbia 78 59

Clemson 85 75
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Virginia 96 73

Cornell 61 81
At ✱
Dartmouth 79 71

California 74 63
At 8:05P ✱
Washington 62 60

Colorado 79 61
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Missouri 72 86

Cal Aggies 43 59
At ✱
Hum. St. 57 61

De Paul 77 80
At 8 p.m.C
Notre Dame 74 74

Depauw 69 68
At 8:15C ✱
Butler 77 72

Denver 80 51
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Wyoming 74 66

Florida 75
At ✱
Vanderbilt 80

Florida St. 78 85
At ✱
Miami (Fla.) 76 91

Geo. Wash.
Temple
Palestra 9:30E

Gettysburg 76
At
Lafayette 103

Georgia 68 72
Geo. Tech 72 81
New Coliseum 8 p.m.E ✱

Houston 62 44
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Okla. A & M 60 63

Indiana 75 67
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Wisconsin 71 69

Iowa St. 79 62 64
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas St. 71 82 68

Indiana State
At
Cincinnati

J. Carroll 115 88
At ✱
West. Res. 84 64

Louisville 86 59 93
At 8:15E
Dayton 64 66 80

Lamar Tech 68 77
At ✱
SW Texas St. 82 103

Maryland 80
At
Navy 61

Mississippi 78 81
At ✱
L S U 100 70

Marquette 68 80
Loyola (Chi.) 59 73
Chicago Stadium 7:45C

Michigan 66
At ✱
Ohio State 79

Minnesota 69 77
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Mich. St. 80 73

Miss. State 72 78
At ✱
Tulane 101 83

Murray 95 76
At 7:30C ✱
Tenn. Tech 82 81

Northwestern 65 68
At 7:30C ✱
Iowa 70 86

New York U. 81
At
Army 69

Nebraska 56 56
At 7:30C ✱
Kansas 60 80

No. Dakota St. (See
At ✱ scores Feb. 15)
No. Dakota U.

Niagara 87 83
St. Bonaven. 75 72
Buffalo Audit. 7:45E ✱

Ohio Wesleyan 58
At 8:15E ✱
Akron 83

Oregon St. 55 69
At ✱
Idaho 58 59

Purdue 76 77
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Illinois 92 102

Penn 78 88
At ✱
Harvard 86 73

Pittsburgh 70 94
At
West Va. 84 77

Penn State 64 66
At
Syracuse 71 75

Richmond 59
LaSalle 74
Palestra 7:45E

Rhode Island 88
At ✱
Vermont 76

St. John's 97 59
At 9 p.m.E
Fordham 85 82

Sam Houston 62 87
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas A & I 68 70

Scranton 80
At
Upsala 71

S.F. Austin 82 83
At ✱
Sul Ross 64 64

S M U 76 87 89
At ✱
Rice 73 65 75

So. Calif. 74 74
At 2 p.m.P ✱
Stanford 78 58

Santa Barbara
At 8:15P ✱
San Diego State

St. Jos. (Pa.) 76 73
At 8 p.m.E
Muhlenberg 71 64

San Fran. U. 68 65
At ✱
Loyola (Cal.) 46 48

Texas A & M 75 70
At ✱
Texas 74 98

Toledo 68 65
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Miami (O.) 93 60

Texas A & M 75 70
At ✱
Texas 74 98

U C L A 95 108
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon 71 89

Villanova 00
At 8 p.m.E
N. C. State 00

Wichita 85 76
At ✱
Drake 76 70

West'n St. 68 81
At 8 p.m M ✱
Idaho St. 80 92

Whittier 53 47
At ✱
Redlands 65 60

Yale 77 81
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Princeton 79 66

FEBRUARY 25

Arkansas 70 79
At ✱
Texas 87 69

Auburn 81
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Kentucky 82

Alabama 95
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Tenn. 81

Boston Univ. 94
Boston Coll. 70
Brandeis Gym

Bradley 70 53
At ✱
Houston 62 68

E. Texas St. 68 84
At ✱
Sul Ross 58 83

Florida 66
Geo. Tech 48
New Coliseum 8 p.m.E ✱

Georgia 56 61
At ✱
Vanderbilt 69 85

Geo. Wash. 92 61
At ✱
Va. Tech 70 63

Indiana 97 80
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Michigan 73 75

Iowa 84 83
At ✱
Minnesota 62 73

Illinois 111 84
At ✱
Ohio State 64 87

Lamar Tech 80 61
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas A & I 72 52

Miami (O.) 61 89
At
Cincinnati 79 81

Michigan St. 89
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Wisconsin 82

New Mexico A & M 60
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Texas Western 58

Nebraska 68 64
At 7:30C ✱
Oklahoma 61 63

N. Hampshire 73 70
At ✱
Vermont 86 87

Okla. A & M 52 42
At ✱
Tulsa 41 46

St. Bonaven. 60 58
At
Duquesne 70 64

Wm. & Mary 90 88
At ✱
West Va. 106 97

West Ky. 79 86 84
At 7:30C ✱
Tenn. Tech 101 75 80

Wichita 99 85
At ✱
Detroit 79 84

FEBRUARY 26

Butler 69 59
At ✱
Ball St. 84 74

So. Carolina 80 121
At
Citadel 50 76

Connecticut 88 81
Holy Cross 85 103
Boston Garden

C C N Y 69
At 8:30E
St. John's (N. Y.) 77

Depauw 84 85
At
Wabash 54 72

Hardin Simm. 61 57
At 8 p.m.C
No. Texas St 52 66

Loyola (Cal.) 74 81
At 8:15P
S. Diego St. 70 90

Montana U. 74 68
At 8 p.m.M
Montana St. 66 58

No. Car. 71 77 56
Wake Forest 76 73 77
Winston Salem 8 p.m.E ✱

Notre Dame 88 87
Marquette 85 69
Milwauk. Arena 8:30C

Portland (see scores
Seattle Jan. 5)
Seattle Civic Aud.

Pasadena (Nas.) 60 73
At 8 p.m.P
Whittier 61 53

Santa Clara 52 38
San Jose St. 54 59
Civic Audit. ✱

St. Mary's 58 72
At 8:05 P ✱
Col. Pacific 62 73

So. Carolina 80 121
At
Citadel 50 76

T C U 64 22
At 8 p.m. ✱
S M U 105 26

U C L A 85 97
So. Calif. 70 84
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P ✱

Wash. & Lee 56 70 78
Richmond 65 88 76
Richmond Arena 8:15E ✱

West'n Reserve 86
At 8:15E
Buffalo 88

FEBRUARY 27

Akron 89 81
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Kent State 73 79

Amherst 99 69
At
Wesleyan 55 56

Boston U. 73 89
At 8:15E
Northeastern 59 59

Bowdoin 94 89 82
At ✱
Bates 86 82 84

Bucknell 69
At
Frank. & Marsh. 60

Columbia 73 58
At ✱
Cornell 67 63

DePaul
Louisville
Armory 8:30C

Fordham 84
La Salle 69
Palestra 7:45E

Georgetown 57
At
Maryland 62

Gettysburg 48
At 8 p.m.E
Scranton 44

Harvard 55 46
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Princeton 68 96

Hartwick 63
At
Army 69

Lehigh 39 64
At
Penn St. 54 88

Miami (O.) 93 103
At ✱
Marshall 99 82

Portland (see scores
Seattle Jan. 5)
Seattle Gym

Pennsylvania
At 8:15E
Pittsburgh

St. Joseph's 77 62
Temple 68 89
Palestra 9:30E

Syracuse 84 80
At
Niagara 71 86

Toledo 59
At 8:15E
Dayton 62

Va. Tech 64 95
At 8 p.m.E ✱
V M I 56 56

Virginia 59 58
At 8:15E ✱
Duke 74 92

Wash. U. (St. L.) 72 65
At 8 p.m.C
Beloit 50 58

Xavier (O.) 72 65
At
Western Ky. 73 74

Yale 68 67
At ✱
Dartmouth 73 78

FEBRUARY 28

Brandeis 41
At
Duquesne 66

Canisius 71
At
Holy Cross 60

Drake
At ✱
Oklahoma A & M

Iona
St. Francis (N. Y.)
Mad. Sq. Garden

Manhattan 63
St. John's (N. Y.) 81
Mad. Sq. Garden

Miss. State 100 83
At ✱
Mississippi 79 74

St. Louis 73 73
At 8 p.m.C ✱
Tulsa 62 66

Trinity
At 8 p.m.E
Brown

West Texas St. 72 76
At
Texas Tech 101 76

MARCH 1

Alabama 86 93
Auburn 77 82
Montgomery ✱

Col. Pacific 56 63
At ✱
Loyola (Cal.) 58 70

Dayton 71 66
At
Cincinnati 58 57

Denver 110 74
At ✱
Utah St. 80 76

J. Carroll 71 80
At ✱
Wayne 83 88

L S U 87 68
At ✱
Tulane 66 61

Montana U. 69 59
At ✱
Wyoming 93 56

New Mexico 53 69
At 8 p.m.M ✱
Brig. Young 87 75

No. Car. 74 89 73
At 8:15E ✱
Duke 64 64 65

Oregon 55 71
So. Calif. 45 87
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P ✱

Rice 89 85
Texas A & M 77 61
Houston ✱

Stanford 77 74
At ✱
Idaho 60 62

San Fran. U. 67 76
At 8:15P ✱
San Jose St. 40 52

St. Bonaventure
Temple
Palestra 7:45E

U C L A 85 84
At ✱
California 80 62

Utah 59 91
At ✱
Colo. A & M 62 60

Wash. State 40 58
At 8 p.m.P ✱
Oregon St. 59 52

West Va. 79
At 8:30E ✱
G. Washington 94

MARCH 2

Akron 97 98
At ✱
Wooster 73 76

Army 67
At
Navy 75

Amherst 61 73
At
Williams 57 56

Buffalo
At
Brandeis

Bradley 91 93
At 8:15E ✱
Detroit 106 85

Cornell 82 74
At 8 p.m.E ✱
Brown 63 56

Clemson 79 83
At ✱
So. Carolina 94 80

Connecticut 88 92
At ✱
Rhode Island 86 60

Columbia 82 58
At 7:45E ✱
Pennsylvania 74 60

Colgate 70 73
At 8:30E
Syracuse 77 67

Cincinnati
At 7:30C
Morehead State

Denver	86	65
At 8 p.m.M ✱		
Brig. Young	96	81
Drake	62	61
At ✱		
Tulsa	63	76
Drexel		57
At		
Frank. & Marsh.		63
Duquesne		
St. Francis (Pa.)		
War Mem. Arena		
DePaul		
Notre Dame		
Chicago Stadium		
Florida St.	72	85
At		
Loyola (N. Orl.)	75	75
Florida	73	82
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
Georgia	93	69
Georgetown		84
St. Joseph's (Pa.)		72
Palestra		
Harvard	69	73
At 8:30E ✱		
Yale	82	99
Hofstra	91	67
At		
Muhlenberg	78	66
Indiana		79
At 9 p.m.E ✱		
Mich. St.		70
J. Carroll		69
At 8 p.m.C		
Loyola (Chi.)		68
Kansas	54	67
At 8 p.m.M ✱		
Colorado	44	75
Kansas St.	71	82 68
At 7:35C ✱		
Iowa St.	79	62 64
Michigan		67
At 7:30C ✱		
Iowa		78
Minnesota	84	81
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Illinois	95	97
Missouri	77	86
At 7:30C ✱		
Oklahoma	72	64
Middle Tenn.	78	85
At ✱		
West. Ky.	86	100
Miami (O.)	77	96
At 8:30E		
Xavier	76	91
Marshall	70	85
At ✱		
West. Mich.	80	72
Montana U.	70	63
At ✱		
Colo. A & M	96	62
N. Mex. A & M	56	57
At ✱		
Hardin Simm.	43	63
Niagara	58	62
Canisius	78	64
Buffalo Audit. 9:45E		
Oregon	55	71
So. Calif.	45	87
Pan Pac. Audit. 8:30P ✱		
Okla. A & M	65	61
At 8:30C ✱		
Wichita	62	54
Ohio State	91	83
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Northwestern	42	72
Pittsburgh	78	100
At		
Penn State	60	90
Princeton	90	59
At ✱		
Dartmouth	82	57
Richmond	75	72
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
Wm. & Mary	53	60
Regis (Col.	68	63
Air Force Acdy.	79	80
City Arena		
Rutgers	63	110
At		
Lafayette	69	111
Seton Hall		76
At 9 p.m.E		
Fordham		78
St. Louis	76	66
At ✱		
Houston	73	67
Stanford	77	74
At ✱		
Idaho	60	62
S M U	67	58 80
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Arkansas	62	53 72
St. Mary's	49	39
Santa Clara	53	40
San Jose Audit. ✱		
Springfield		69
At 8:30E		
Boston U.		73
Scranton	61	79
King's	46	75
Charity game		
Texas	67	66 74
At ✱		
T C U	73	60 67
Toledo	71	64
Louisville	86	93
Armory 8:30C		
Tennessee	68	77
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Kentucky	95	101
U C L A	85	84
At ✱		
California	80	62
Utah	54	71
At 8 p.m.M ✱		
Wyoming	59	61
Valparaiso	64	61
At 7:30C ✱		
Depauw	65	56
Virginia		71
At		
Wash. & Lee		79
Virginia Tech	76	89
At ✱		
Davidson	78	73
Wash. State	40	58
At 8 p.m.P ✱		
Oregon St.	59	52
Wisconsin		68
At 7:30C ✱		
Purdue		78
Wake Forest	81	78
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
N. C. State	90	80

MARCH 4

Iowa	67	88
At 7:30C ✱		
Purdue	63	75
Illinois	96	92
At 7:35C ✱		
Indiana	72	89
Michigan St.	86	76
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
Michigan	76	75
N. Mex. A & M	68	66
At		
Texas Tech	65	87
Northwestern	55	70
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Wisconsin	70	76
Ohio State	91	89
At		
Minnesota	80	95
Temple	63	64
At		
Duquesne	48	66
Toledo		86
At		
East Kentucky		68

MARCH 5

Bradley	80	56
At 8:30C ✱		
Wichita	59	86
Cincinnati	79	81
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
Miami (O.)	61	89
No. Dakota	75	87
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Iowa Teachers	70	66
N Y U		78
C C N Y		65
Fordham Gym		
St. Mary's	63	49
San Fran. U.	74	82
Kezar Pav. ✱		
So. Calif.	70	84
U C L A	85	97
Pan Pac. Aud. 8:15P ✱		
Vermont	64	63
At		
St. Michaels	81	81

MARCH 6

Brown	74	63
At ✱		
Rhode Island	71	83
Detroit		
Louisville		
Armory 8:30C		
Fordham		94
At 8:30E		
Rutgers		54
Gettysburg	73	76
At		
Frank. & Marsh.	76	59
Kansas	91	68
At 7:30C ✱		
Kansas St.	86	79
LaSalle	71	73
Villanova	64	76
Palestra 9:30E		
Oklahoma	61	63
At ✱		
Nebraska	68	64
Okla. A & M	52	65
At 8:30C ✱		
St. Louis	49	63
Princeton	77	78
At ✱		
Columbia	69	69
Syracuse	85	96
At 8:15E		
Cornell	67	94
Yale	96	60
At 7:45E ✱		
Pennsylvania	72	67

MARCH 7

Dartmouth	71	86
At ✱		
Harvard	69	73
N Y U		66
St. John's (N. Y.)		75
Mad. Sq. Garden		
Seton Hall		79
At 8 p.m.E		
Muhlenberg		66
Wagner		83
Manhattan		80
Mad. Sq. Garden 9 p.m.E		

MARCH 8

California	52	64
At ✱		
So. Calif.	51	77
Okla. A & M	74	43
At ✱		
Bradley	40	46
Oregon	57	69 49
At 8 p.m.P ✱		
Oregon St.	46	74 59
Washington	62	80
At 8:05P ✱		
Wash. State	42	57

MARCH 9

Columbia	78	59
At 8 p.m.E ✱		
Brown	68	67
California	52	64
At ✱		
So. Calif.	51	77
Colorado	44	75
At 8 p.m.M ✱		
Kansas	54	67
Dartmouth	79	71
At 8:15E ✱		
Cornell	61	81
Fordham		71
St. John's (N. Y.)		78
69th Reg. Arm. 9 p.m.E		
Iowa State	94	71
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Nebraska	74	69
Kansas St.	72	58
At 8 p.m.C ✱		
Missouri	85	54
Marquette	85	69
At 8 p.m.C		
Notre Dame	88	87
Oregon	57	69 49
At 8 p.m.P ✱		
Oregon St.	46	74 59
Pennsylvania	70	75
At 8 p.m.E		
Princeton	69	61
Wisconsin	74	66
At 7:30C ✱		
Iowa	78	80
Washington	62	80
At 8:05P ✱		
Wash. State	42	57
Yale	82	90
At ✱		
Harvard	69	73

MARCH 11

Colorado		
At 7:30C ✱		
Oklahoma		
Xavier (O.)		92
St. Francis (Pa.)		78
War Mem. Arena		

OFFICIAL 1955-56 RECORDS

INDIVIDUAL SCORING LEADERS

	Games	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
Floyd—Furman	28	339	268	946	33.8
Freeman—Ohio St.	22	259	205	723	32.9
Swartz—Morehead	29	282	264	828	28.6
Heinsohn—Holy Cross	27	254	232	740	27.4
McCoy—Mich. St.	22	228	144	600	27.3
Rosenbluth—No. Car.	23	227	160	614	26.7
Hundley—West Va.	30	290	218	798	26.6
Downs—Texas	22	167	246	580	26.4
Ray—Toledo	22	171	221	563	25.6
Sigler—L.S.U.	20	175	151	501	25.1
Holup—Geo. Wash.	26	200	251	651	25.0
O'Neal—T.C.U.	24	185	223	593	24.7
Green—Duquesne	27	241	180	662	24.5
Capua—Wyoming	26	217	203	637	24.5
Stewart—Missouri	19	167	126	460	24.2
Lear—Temple	31	278	189	745	24.0
Wallace—So. Car.	23	217	116	550	23.9
Tyra—Louisville	29	262	166	690	23.8
VonWeyhe—Rhode I.	25	206	180	592	23.7
Ebben—Detroit	25	233	125	591	23.6
Naulls—U.C.L.A.	28	238	185	661	23.6
Lee—Yale	26	218	169	605	23.3
Harper—Alabama	24	195	166	556	23.2
McCarty—Virginia	27	231	163	625	23.1
Rollins—Cornell	24	217	119	553	23.0
Adams—Eastern Ky.	25	170	228	568	22.7
Gibbon—Mississippi	18	157	93	407	22.6
Slack—Marshall	22	193	111	497	22.6
Cobb—Davidson	24	200	140	540	22.5
Sobieszczyk—De Paul	24	164	212	540	22.5
Aubrey—Notre Dame	24	197	145	539	22.5
Forte—Columbia	16	122	114	358	22.4
Ashmore—Miss. St.	24	186	164	536	22.3
Linn—Alabama	24	198	137	533	22.2
Parenti—St. John's (NY)	24	186	159	531	22.1
Tucker—Rice	24	202	127	531	22.1
Mayer—Duke	25	195	163	553	22.1
Nichols—Colgate	26	194	187	575	22.1
Wilfong—Memphis St.	26	217	140	574	22.1
Gibson—Creighton	23	172	162	506	22.0
Bunte—Utah	28	221	172	614	21.9
Widseth—Tennessee	24	150	222	522	21.8
Flora—Wash. & Lee	28	194	219	607	21.7
Tebo—Brown	25	198	145	541	21.6
Price—Marshall	24	201	113	515	21.5
Wheeler—Cincinnati	24	180	157	517	21.5
Boldebuck—Houston	26	200	156	556	21.4
Crittenden—Murray	25	176	178	530	21.2
Arnold—Memphis St.	26	203	145	551	21.2
Barton—Wash. (Mo.)	22	129	207	465	21.1
Burrow—Kentucky	25	207	114	528	21.1
Choice—Indiana	22	148	167	463	21.0
Maat—Northwestern	22	180	102	462	21.0
Yockel—Clemson	26	210	124	544	20.9
Reed—Texas Tech	22	182	96	460	20.9
Hill—Siena	20	148	121	417	20.9
Matthews—Va. Tech	25	188	145	521	20.8
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Russell—S. Francisco	29	246	105	597	20.6
Kessler—Maryland	24	158	174	490	20.4
Kramer—Michigan	22	169	110	448	20.4
Roybal—New Mexico	22	141	166	448	20.4
Gaines—Seton Hall	25	167	174	508	20.3
Bernardi—Iona	22	140	166	446	20.3
Winters—Portland	26	166	194	526	20.2
Reed—Oklahoma City	27	186	174	546	20.2
Underwood—Marshall	23	177	110	464	20.2
Marozzi—Rhode Island	25	179	145	503	20.1
Petinos—Navy	18	128	103	359	19.9
Rand—Marquette	23	166	125	457	19.9
Lombardo—Manhattan	24	172	132	476	19.8
Lazor—Pittsburgh	25	189	117	495	19.8
McCarthy—Canisius	26	180	154	514	19.8
Miani—Miami, Fla.	26	186	139	511	19.7
BonSalle—Illinois	22	156	118	430	19.5
Beck—Wash. State	26	162	184	508	19.5
Miller—Wisconsin	22	142	145	429	19.5
Tebbs—Brigham Young	26	183	140	506	19.5
Binstein—Army	23	161	125	447	19.4
Smith—Western Mich.	20	152	81	385	19.3
Davis—Wake Forest	28	196	146	538	19.2
Cunningham—Fordham	25	164	150	478	19.1
Sexson—Purdue	22	137	146	420	19.1
Thompson—Iowa State	23	142	155	439	19.1
Bauer—Seattle	29	196	160	552	19.0
Smith—St. Louis	25	178	118	474	19.0
Dommeyer—Minnesota	22	156	105	417	19.0

REBOUND PERCENTAGE LEADERS

	Rebounds in Games	Indiv. Recov.	Pct. Rec.
Holup—Geo. Washington	2356	604	.256
Tyra—Louisville	2740	645	.235
Harper—Alabama	2226	517	.232
Russell—San Francisco	2642	609	.231
Slack—Marshall	2415	520	.215
Innis—St. Francis (NY)	2373	465	.196
Shavlik—N. C. State	2819	545	.193
Heinsohn—Holy Cross	2928	549	.188
Sobieszczyk—DePaul	1736	316	.182
McLaughlin—St. Louis	2529	455	.181
Collins—So. Carolina	2249	404	.180
Nichols—Colgate	2296	411	.179
Howard—Ohio State	1623	284	.175
Boldebuck—Houston	2169	379	.175
Roberson—Cornell	2474	423	.171
Ellis—Niagara	2008	338	.168
Hemans—Niagara	2008	329	.164
Burtus—West Texas St.	1888	303	.160
Naulls—U.C.L.A.	2578	410	.159
Haller—Texas Western	1704	270	.158
Kessler—Maryland	2135	336	.157
Reed—Oklahoma City	1707	267	.156
Daniels—Western Ky.	2697	418	.155
Cobb—Davidson	2085	323	.155
Thomas—Col. Pacific	2105	326	.155
Green—Duquesne	2310	356	.154
Sturgis—Pennsylvania	2496	371	.149
Robinson—Yale	2852	421	.148
Loomis—New Mexico A & M	1788	264	.148
Adamushko—St. Fran. (NY)	2373	348	.147
Parr—Kansas State	2364	340	.144
Piontek—Xavier (O.)	2789	399	.143
Jeffries—Muhlenberg	2223	316	.142
Rand—Marquette	2142	304	.142

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE LEADERS

(85 or more free throws scored)

	Games	FTA	FT	Pct.
Von Weyhe—Rhode Island	25	208	180	.865
Murdock—Wake Forest	28	237	203	.857
Molodet—N. C. State	27	196	167	.852
Miani—Miami (Fla.)	26	166	139	.837
McCarty—Virginia	27	196	163	.832
Petcavich—Geo. Wash.	26	166	138	.831
Gaudin—Loyola (La.)	25	157	130	.828
Plump—Butler	22	114	94	.825
Downs—Texas	22	290	246	.823
Forte—Columbia	16	139	114	.820
Argenbright—Montana	26	144	118	.819
Morris—S.M.U.	29	148	121	.818
Sobieszczyk—DePaul	24	261	212	.812
Hamilton—Morehead	28	117	95	.812
Boothe—Xavier (O.)	28	180	146	.811
Dees—Indiana	22	127	103	.811
Freeman—Ohio St.	22	253	205	.810
Johnson—St. Mary's	26	210	170	.810
Able—Western, Ky.	26	131	106	.809
Sidwell—Tenn. Tech	21	177	143	.808
Babers—Tex. Western	21	159	128	.805
Tebbs—Brigham Young	26	174	140	.805
Hutto—Texas A & M	21	122	98	.803
Miller—Wisconsin	22	181	145	.801
Linn—Alabama	24	171	137	.801
Ray—Toledo	22	276	221	.801
Utt—Bradley	26	149	119	.799
Kinder—Murray St.	25	129	103	.798
Wiggins—Wake Forest	28	128	102	.797
Perkins—Washington	26	113	90	.796
Binstein—Army	23	157	125	.796
Plunkett—Cincinnati	24	127	101	.795
Rollins—Louisville	21	117	93	.795
Paxson—Dayton	28	175	139	.794
Bunte—Utah	28	217	172	.793
Moreman—Louisville	29	154	122	.792
Kennon—Miami (O.)	20	119	94	.790
Sexson—Purdue	22	185	146	.789
Dwyer—Columbia	24	180	142	.789
Wilfong—Memphis St.	26	178	140	.787
Evans—Ohio U	24	154	121	.786
Lear—Temple	31	241	189	.784
Mayer—Duke	25	208	163	.784
Dommeyer—Minnesota	22	134	105	.784
Bryant—Colo. A & M	25	123	96	.780
Seaberg—Iowa	26	141	110	.780
Ricketts—Duquesne	26	109	85	.780
Lysaght—Richmond	29	127	99	.780
Tierney—New York U	19	122	95	.779
Emrick—Florida	23	203	158	.778

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	Games	PF	Avg.
Duncan—Mississippi St.	24	108	4.50
Coupland, Jr—V.M.I.	23	98	4.26
Murphy—Tulane	24	102	4.25
Ruddy—Connecticut	25	103	4.12
Robinson—Yale	26	107	4.12
Branom—Idaho	24	98	4.08
Leone—Canisius	26	106	4.08
Graham—Colgate	26	106	4.08
Jarm—Valparaiso	25	101	4.04
Ramsay—Penn State	26	104	4.00

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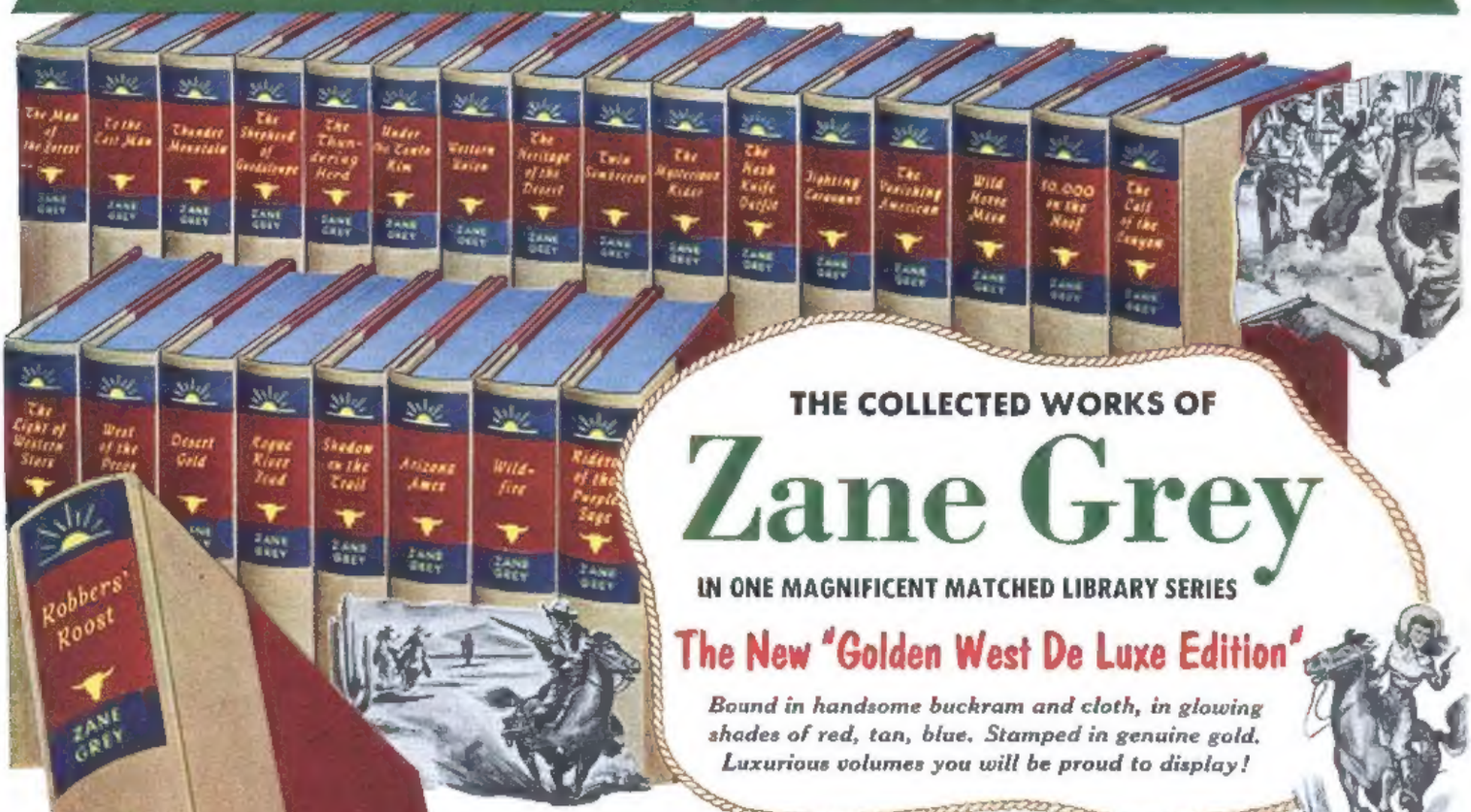

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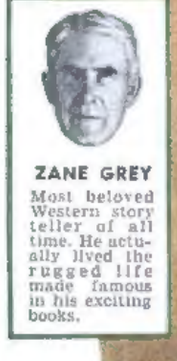

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